

Roscommon County Council
Comhairle Chontae Ros Comáin



Adopted Budget 2013

For the year ended 31st December 2013

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Manager's Foreword

ADOPTED BUDGET 2013

To the Cathaoirleach and the Elected Members of Roscommon County Council

A Cathaoirleach and Elected Members,

I enclose the Adopted Budget for Roscommon County Council for the year ended December 31, 2013.

The Minister for Environment, Community and Local Government determined the period November 24th, 2012 to January 13th, 2013 as the prescribed period for County Council's to hold their budget meetings.

As required in legislation I consulted with the Corporate Policy Group in the preparation of the Adopted Budget and with the Management Team to consider and discuss our options.

The statutory budget meeting took place on Wednesday 19th December 2012 at 10.00am.

Local authorities are required by law to adopt a budget that is sufficient to meet their proposed expenditure – total estimated expenditure must be met with total estimated income from commercial rates, charges for goods and services, and government grants.

In addition to adopting the budget for the coming year, elected members determined the annual rate on the valuation that should be levied on commercial properties.

The Adopted Budget is based on a 2% reduction to the current Annual Rate on Valuation.

Introduction

During 2012 the elected members and staff have continued to provide a full range of services that are vital to the functioning of the County. This has played a very important role in County Roscommon being resilient in facing the difficulties that the current national economic situation presents.

It is timely for us to reflect on our corporate mission statement, "to make Roscommon a vibrant place with an increasingly enhanced quality of life, sustained through employment generation, a high quality infrastructure, a strong entrepreneurial spirit and by providing quality accessible services in a sustainable manner in partnership with the community."

This is the spirit that continues to inspire our budget planning.

Looking ahead to 2013 and the programme of services that I have set out in this budget, the economic forecast is for marginal growth. In the Central Bank Economic Forecast of October 2012 GDP and GNP are predicted at 1.7% and 0.7% for 2013 from an expected outturn of 0.5% and -0.4% in 2012.

Change Management Initiatives and the Public Sector Agreement (Croke Park)

Since I reported to you in my 2012 budget statement, we have had another year of challenging circumstances at local and national level. We have had to adapt to having less resources at our disposal including a mid-year unexpected adjustment caused by the lower than anticipated compliance with Household Charge legislation. Council staff have shown great commitment and flexibility notwithstanding adjustments implemented by them in their personal capacity which have resulted in significant cost savings to the Council. These savings and efficiencies have led to it being possible to continue to provide a high level of service to the community.

A report from the Local Government Efficiency Review Implementation Group in 2012 finds that Roscommon County Council achieved for the first two years of the Croke Park Agreement, up to 31st March 2012, savings amounting to €6.75m. These savings were mainly achieved through significant efficiency gains, with payroll costs similarly substantially reduced.

Between 2008 and 2012 staff numbers reduced by 208, representing a 23% reduction for the period in question. Total payroll cost reductions between April 2008 and March 2012 amounted to €4.75m. Efficiencies through changed work practices, some shared services, fleet restructuring and enhanced procurement procedures have also delivered much needed savings.

It would not have been possible to achieve this level reduction and continue to operate services at the level we have without the overall framework of the Croke Park Agreement. The Agreement provides a structure to manage change across the public sector up to 2014. Stability measures were included for staff on the issue of pay and compulsory redundancies in return for a critical review and move from restrictive practices and barriers to efficiencies. While many formal proposals have been processed under the agreement to date, this budget is based on further proposals being implemented over the next twelve months.

Commercial Rates

Business confidence in areas such as the retail sector has been low during 2012 primarily due to lower private consumption levels. The business community face significant cost pressures in the context of dampened demand and consumer sentiment.

The focus of local government reforms is to maximise efficiencies while minimising impacts on front line services and supporting enterprise. Commercial rates were reduced in 2010 and while there have been no increases applied since 2009, I look forward to further reductions in the coming years.

Roscommon County Council supports over 400 businesses, offering them the option of payment plans by way of contributing to their viability. We are available on an ongoing basis to discuss these options with any business willing to talk to us about their situation.

I trust that the business community will benefit from the 2% reduction in rates, which combined with reductions in recent budgets adds up to a 5% reduction since 2009.

The legislation under which local authorities operate obliges us to pursue all monies owed, and this obligation is enforced by the Local Government Auditor. Roscommon County Council recognises the efforts of the majority of rate payers to contribute to the sustainability of services at a reasonable level and to the economic development of the county.

Roscommon County Council is not immune to the economic downturn. In particular, our level of central government funding through the Local Government Fund has dropped by €7.5million or almost 32% since 2008.

Furthermore, there are ongoing increases in the costs imposed on us for energy and fuel in respect of public lighting, road maintenance, water pumping, and sewage treatment to mention but a few. Despite competitive tendering, shared services and national procurement the fuel and energy bill for Roscommon County Council has risen incrementally annually over the past five years due to suppliers increasing their charges at a time we are reducing our commercial rate charges. The fact is that utility charges form a far greater portion of business costs than do commercial rates. In real terms, the cost of commercial rates is declining each year.

Electricity costs alone have increased by an annual rate of 13% since 2010.

Local Government Fund

The Department of Environment, Community and Local Government has advised the Council that our Local Government Fund allocation in respect of 2013 will be reduced. A reduction of 0.88% on the 2012 allocation is budgeted for. During 2012 the household charge replaced an exchequer contribution as a funding source for the Local Government Fund. Last July we were advised by the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government that arising from low compliance with the household charge, funding would be withheld. Based on a payment compliance rate in Roscommon below a threshold of 65% (as set by the DECLG), our Local Government Fund allocation was reduced by €436,000 on the amount previously advised.

	Actual 2008	Actual 2009	Actual 2010	Actual 2011	Actual 2012	Actual 2013
	€	€	€	€	€	€
LGF	23,308,000	21,982,459	20,110,463	18,490,254	15,968,000	15,828,208
Pension Levy Deduction			1,284,000	1,276,900	1,263,300	1,135,000
35% Pay Adjustment			313,000			
NET	23,308,000	21,982,459	18,513,463	17,213,354	15,968,000	15,828,208
Difference %	0.00%	5.69%	15.78%	7.02%	7.23%	0.88%

The above table outlines our funding structure over the last four years. As a relatively small authority we are heavily dependent on income from the DEC LG Local Government Fund which accounts for 26% of our income.

In order to achieve a balanced budget forecast it has been necessary to make further significant reductions in all areas of expenditure, which will continue to constrain our ability to deliver services in the year ahead. Notwithstanding such constraints I wish to acknowledge the continued commitment and flexibility shown by staff in serving the public to the best of their ability.

I remind members that the requirements of Section 16 of the Local Government Act 2001, in particular, requires that the Local Authority, in discharging its functions, shall have regard to the resources available to it, the need to maintain essential services, and to ensure that a reasonable balance is achieved between its functional priorities.

The Adopted Budget shows a decrease in expenditure of 7% and a reduction in income of 12%.

	Financial Year	Financial Year	Difference	
	2012 (Budgeted) €	2013 (Budgeted) €	€	%
Expenditure	65,005,500	60,771,800	-4,233,700	-7%
Income	37,245,700	32,747,000	-4,498,700	-12%
Local Government Fund (net)	15,968,000	15,828,208	-139,792	-8%
Pension Levy Deduction	1,263,300	1,135,000	-128,300	-10%
Rates	10,528,500	11,061,592	533,092	5%

Household Charge

The Local Government (Household Charge) Act 2011 provided for the introduction from 1st January 2012 of a household charge of €100 to fund local services as set out in the EU/IMF Programme of Financial Support for Ireland. The Act also provided for the funding of €160m from the charge for the local authority sector. This funding is managed through the Local Government Fund, by the Department of Environment, Community & Local Government and replaced the previous exchequer contribution to the fund. The Local Government Fund is now comprised of funding from Motor Tax receipts and the Household Charge. As at December 3rd 2012, the charge has been paid in respect of 15,767 properties and registrations for waivers in respect of a further 386, giving a total compliance level for Roscommon of 67.77%.

I want to thank the households who have complied and who are helping to fund service provision in the county and I would encourage those who have not yet complied to do so.

New Property Tax

A new Property Tax is being introduced in 2013 which will replace the Household Charge. It will be linked to the delivery of local services and it will be collected by the Revenue Commissioners.

Non-Principal Private Residences (NPPR)

A charge of €200 was introduced on non-principal private residences in July 2009. The Local Government Management Agency collects the charge on a shared services basis for local authorities.

As part of the 2012 Budget, it was estimated that €850,000 income would accrue. The actual value for 2012 to date is €842,460. A projected income of € 900,000 in 2013 is included in this budget.

Financial Management in 2012

During 2012, the Council has applied effective controls to the use and application of the County's resource base. This includes the application of prudent expenditure controls, strengthened debt collection measures, and an accelerated review process of work practices and resource demands. It has provided a basis for the Council to limit the impact of reduced resources on services to the relatively low level that has occurred. The programme is critical to continuing to make changes in how we work and is a key driver in service reviews carried out to date and those planned for 2013 and beyond.

Resources for Contingencies

In recent years, exceptional weather events (snow, ice and flooding) have caused disruption across the County and beyond, restricting mobility, affecting water supply and causing damage to infrastructure. The Council has responded to these situations by deploying a variety of resources, particularly human resources. These responses have had cost implications.

Roads Maintenance and Improvement

A significant programme of capital investment has been undertaken in 2012 and this will continue with the ongoing work constructing the 13km Ballaghaderreen By-Pass and significant road re-alignments at Oran, Coolteigue, Ratalen and Treanagry. We expect reductions in allocations for 2013 for National Minor Improvements and Non-National multi-annual allocations affecting restoration works.

A dramatic reduction in expenditure on Non-National Roads is reflected in the fact that our own resource allocation has been reduced from a level of €2.6m in 2009 to just over €1m in 2013. Amenity maintenance and land drainage will be impacted on a daily operational basis.

Notwithstanding a clear imperative to hold maintenance schedules on roads, grants from Central Government for this purpose may decrease in 2012. The breakdown of expenditure for 2012 is set out below along with a comparison to recent years.

Year		(NRA) - National	(DOT) - Non	Total €
		Roads €	National Roads €	
2009	Maintenance	1,773,000	5,062,000	6,835,000
	Improvement	1,404,000	8,098,000	9,502,000
2010	Maintenance	1,594,000	4,900,000	6,494,000
	Improvement	8,579,000	9,354,000	17,933,000
2011	Maintenance	1,252,000	5,592,000	6,844,000
	Improvement	9,532,000	8,820,000	18,352,000
2012	Maintenance	1,017,000	5,127,000	6,144,000
	Improvement	11,120,000	7,153,000	18,273,000

Water Services

The prices of non-domestic water and waste water for 2011 and 2012 were held at €1.22 and €1.50 per cubic metre, respectively. I propose to maintain these prices for a third year.

Loan charges to cover the cost of the contract and the costs of providing water and waste water services to non-domestic customers throughout the county are reflected in the imposition of a consolidated water services charge to these customers. The impact of operating costs associated with DBO contracts will continue to increase in the coming year.

We have adopted a policy of providing customers with information, conservation recommendations and flexible payment arrangements to suit their cash flow situation. Where bills remain outstanding and there is no agreement reached with the customer we will regretfully be forced to implement disconnection or legal remedies or both.

Irish Water

A government decision has been taken to set up a Water Utility, Irish Water. Roscommon County Council is seeking to manage the transition process around this proposal, in conjunction with other local authorities. Over the course of 2013 we will advise on the impacts of this programme for the Council. This includes the implication for the sections that have a direct functional arrangement with Water Services (such as Roads, Environment and Finance). While the establishment of Irish Water is imminent, it is likely that the Council will continue to deliver water services for a number of years under a Service Level Agreement. This will provide additional time for all aspects of the transfer to be accommodated.

Waste Management

The direct costs of operating 40 Bring Banks and 4 Recycling Centres is estimated at €438,000 in 2013, representing a saving of over €77,000 over 2012 through efficiencies and cost savings. Their operation is undergoing continuous review.

Housing

The provision we are making for the management and maintenance of our housing stock of over 1300 homes is the minimum in my view and will need to be given attention in future as increased resources become available.

Civic, Recreation and Amenity Facilities

This budget provides for the operation of two leisure centres at Roscommon and Castlerea and will allow for the continuation of the service. Focus will be placed in 2012 on programming to ensure that our centres remain attractive to potential users. The VAT framework applying to local authorities has been changed with effect from 1st January 2013 and VAT will be applicable to services at varying rates.

The upgrade and modernisation of our County Library were completed recently and the planning process is underway for our new civic offices which will bring all sections together, with the consequent cost savings and improvements in operational efficiencies, access, health & safety and customer service.

Tourism & The Gathering

Roscommon County Council has developed a number of flagship projects in recent years in partnership with other state agencies. These include the Lough Key Activity Centre, Hodson Bay Boat Training Centre, Suck Valley Way Walk, Donamon Angling Facility, Errit Lough, Lake O'Flynn, King House, Loughnaneane Park and Boyle Historic Town Trails. Over €4m has been invested directly by the Council in tourism facilities during the past six years. This investment matched by investment on the part of Fáilte Ireland, Waterways Ireland and Coillte has provided a huge resource to County Roscommon on which to implement the new County Tourism Strategy under the by-line *Revive, Refresh, Rewind*.

Resources have been ring-fenced for Roscommon County Council to continue to play a central role at community level in preparing for the county's participation in The Gathering Ireland 2013. A host of community and flagship events are planned in conjunction with communities and other state agencies which will see the county celebrate our heritage, culture and intrinsic beauty as a destination for homecoming, inward investment and pride of place.

Discretionary Community Funding

Due to the massive reduction of resources available it will continue to be necessary to restrict the range and scale of discretionary funding, as in recent years, towards community based initiatives. This will manifest itself in limited grants towards burial grounds, arts and voluntary bodies, maintenance of amenity areas and land drainage.

Capital Investment in Infrastructure

The Capital Programme for the year period 2013 – 2015 (with reference to Section 135 of the Local Government Act 2001) is included with the Revenue Budget. We have prepared the Capital Programme having due regard to available resources. The County's Capital Programme may be funded from Government Grants, proceeds from development contributions and the sale of assets. These funding sources have significantly contracted in recent years. The three-year investment plan amounts to €149,627,000; €62,730,000 of which is scheduled to be incurred in 2013. In particular there is substantial investment in roads and water services.

This level of spend is a welcome investment in our County's infrastructure.

Local Government Reform – Putting People First

Putting People First reinforces Local Government as the primary means of public service at local level, harnessing the commitment of elected members and officials. The action programme contained therein promises to build a stronger and more cohesive Local Government, giving it a greater capacity not only to address the challenges we face, but also to promote local community, social and economic development, and collectively to maximise the strengths of our country as a place in which to live, to invest and to work. The Reform Programme acknowledges, that at a critical time for our country, local government has a crucial role to play in Ireland's national recovery. The Programme affirms the need for the system to embrace change, share the burden, modernise, adapt to new financial circumstances and deliver even better services with scarce resources.

Conclusion

Notwithstanding the cutbacks, Roscommon County Council will invest a revenue budget of €60.8m through payments to staff, contractors and local suppliers in the coming year. This represents a major investment in the social, economic and cultural fabric of this county.

In order for us to comply with legal requirements to provide a balanced budget we have had to take some major decisions. Adherence to this budget will entail constant monitoring of performance and if necessary taking corrective action as the year progresses.

We will continue to provide regular financial updates to the CPG and elected members in the year ahead.

I wish to thank the elected members and staff of the Council for their support and to record my appreciation to the Cathaoirleach, Cllr Tom Crosby and his predecessor Cllr Eugene Murphy for their commitment to the special responsibilities of the office and for their courtesy and co-operation, along with the Corporate Policy Group, in doing the business of the Council during 2012.

I also wish to thank the staff of all the Council Directorates who have shown great flexibility in adapting to the changing work environment thereby ensuring the maintenance of quality services. The work of every member of staff is of real and tangible value in supporting the economic and social vibrancy of this county.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank members of staff who retired in 2012, and to remember all associated with the Council who have passed away during the year.

I thank the members of the Management Team, Tommy Ryan, Majella Hunt, Martin Lydon and Kathleen Martin and the Meetings Administrator Fiona Ni Chuinn for their continued commitment and support.

Finally, I wish to thank Martin Lydon, Head of Finance & Planning, and all the staff of the Finance Unit for their work and support in the preparation of this Budget.



Frank Dawson
County Manager
December 2012

Overall Summary



Expenditure Variation Statement

	€	€
2012 Adopted Budget		65,005,501
Payroll Expenses		- 2,413,074
Operational Expenses		
Purchase of Equipment	-53,000	
Repairs & Maintenance	-1,944,076	
Contract Payments	466,000	
Agency Services	0	
Machinery Yard Charges incl Plant Hire	-10,300	
Purchase of Materials and Issues from Stores	-218,095	
Payment of Grants	-935,000	
Members Costs	-7,900	
Travelling & Subsistence Allowances	7,400	
Consultancy and Professional Fees Payments	56,000	
Energy Costs	8,500	
Other	-45,100	
		-2,675,571
Administration Expenses		
Communication Expenses	-21,300	
Training	0	
Printing and Stationery	-1,500	
Contributions to Other Bodies	-35,100	
Other	98,300	
		40,400
Establishment Expenses		
Rent and Rates	- 11,300	
Other	-	
		- 11,300
Financial Expenses		927,600
Miscellaneous Expenses		- 101,756
Total Expenditure		<u>60,771,800</u>

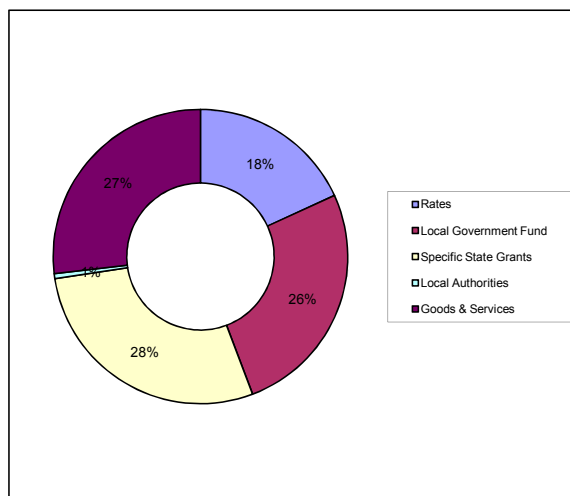
Income Variation Statement

	€	€
2012 Adopted Budget		-37,245,700
Government Grants		
Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government	48,000	
National Roads Authority (NRA)	2,190,976	
Higher Education Grants	900,000	
VEC Pensions	2,300,000	
Miscellaneous Government Grants	<u>17,000</u>	
		5,455,976
Goods and Services		
Rent from Houses	- 150,000	
Housing Loans and Interest Charges	- 15,000	
Commercial Water	-	
Commercial Sewerage	-	
Planning Fees	7,000	
Library Fines and Charges	-	
Agency Services	- 604,000	
Pension contributions	60,000	
Property Rental of Land	-	
Landfill and Recycling Charges	13,000	
Fire charges	- 90,000	
NPPR Income	- 50,000	
Miscellaneous Services	<u>- 128,276</u>	
		- 957,276
Total Income		<u>-32,747,000</u>

How Money is Spent

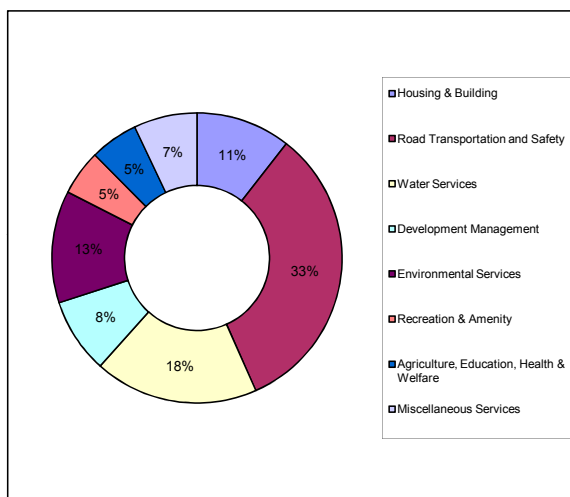
Main Sources of Revenue Income 2013

	2013	2013
	€	%
Rates	11,061,592	18%
Local Government Fund	15,828,208	26%
Specific State Grants	17,233,424	28%
Local Authorities	322,100	1%
Goods & Services	16,326,466	27%
Total	60,771,800	100%



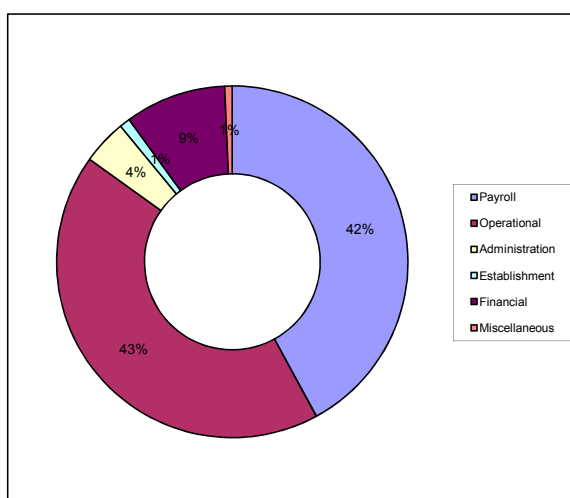
How Income will be spent by Programme Group

	2013	2013
	€	%
Housing & Building	6,424,500	11%
Road Transportation and Safety	19,884,700	33%
Water Services	11,130,400	18%
Development Management	5,087,800	8%
Environmental Services	7,599,400	13%
Recreation & Amenity	3,085,200	5%
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	3,255,500	5%
Miscellaneous Services	4,304,300	7%
Total	60,771,800	100%

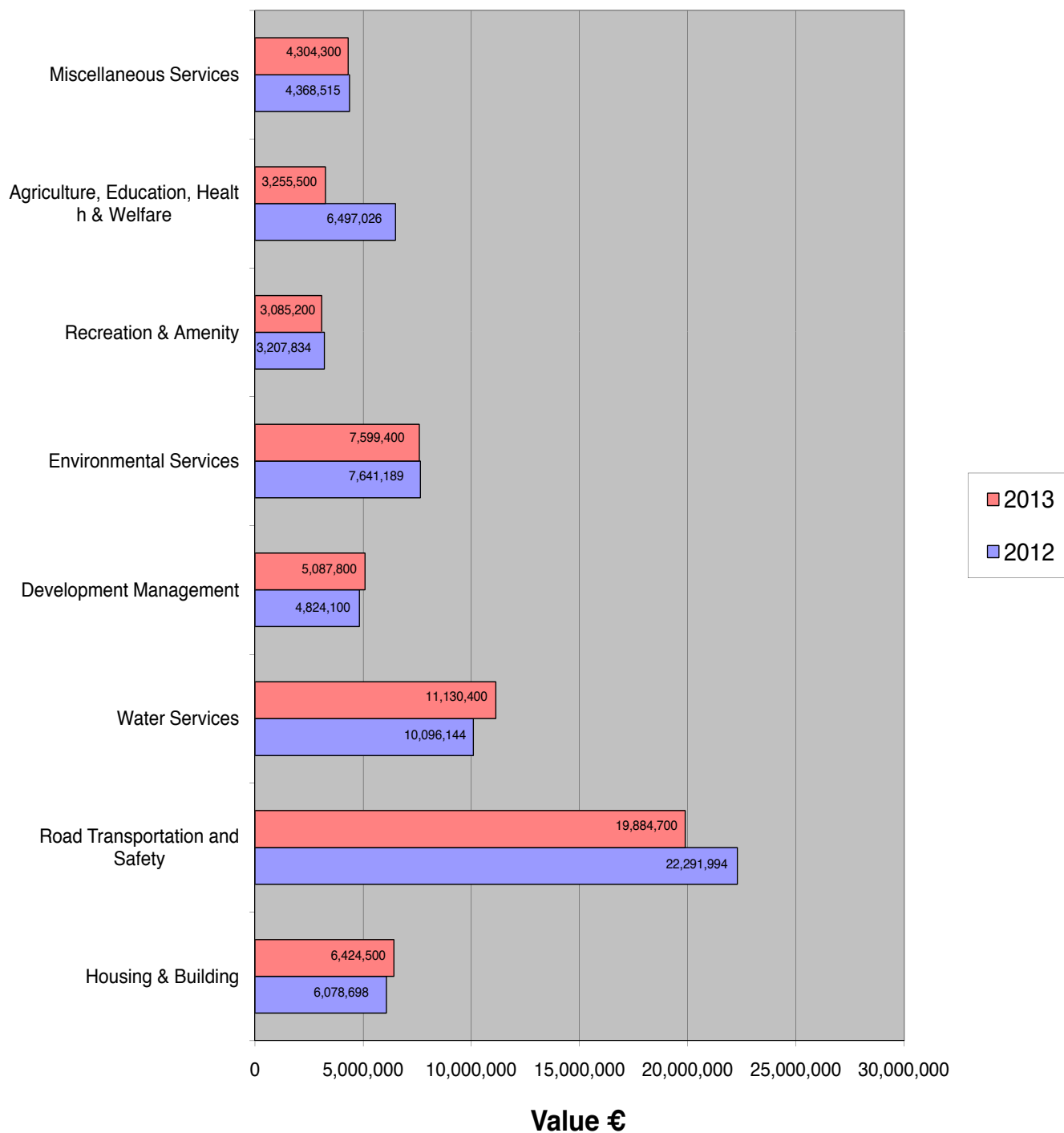


What Income will be spent on

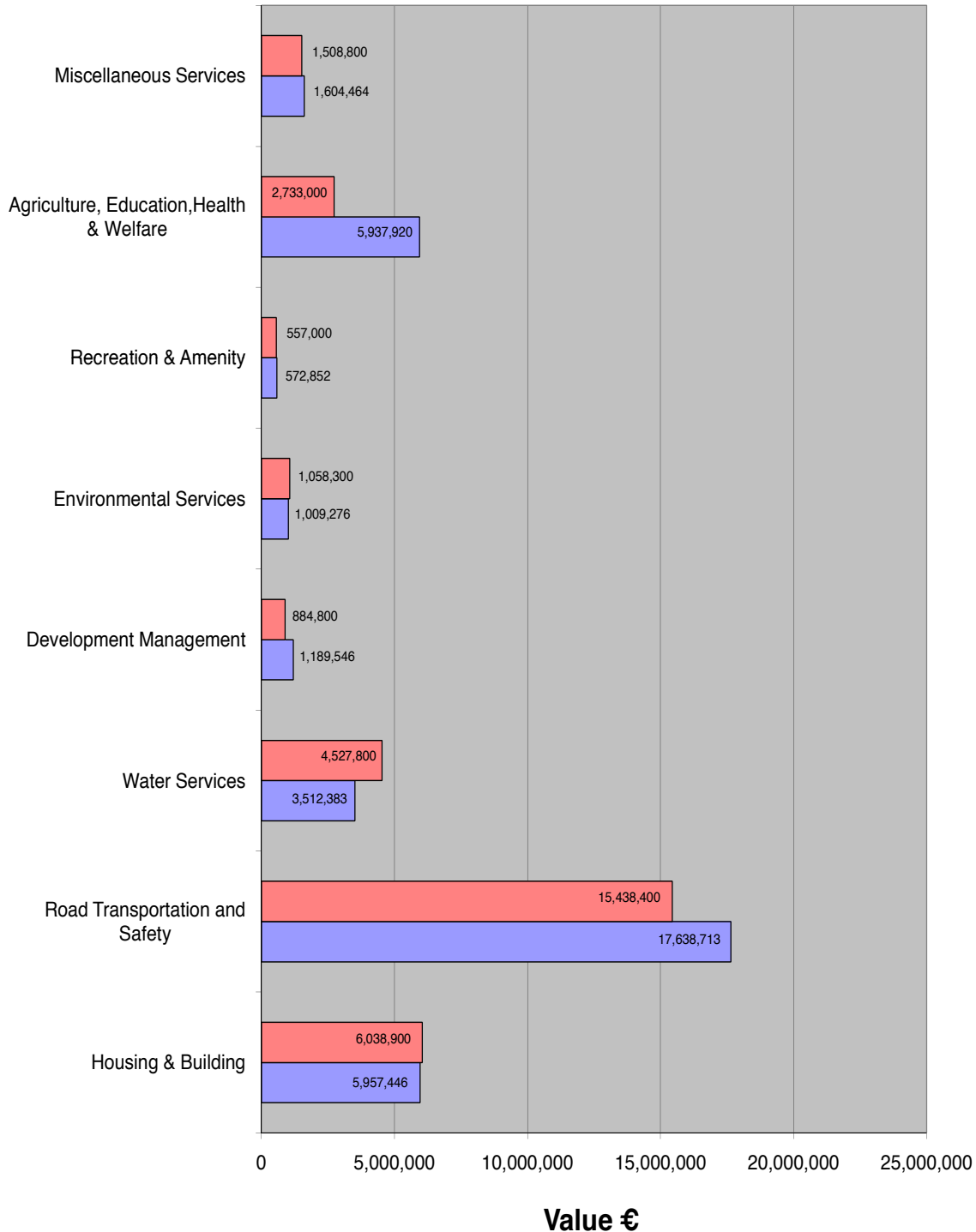
	2013	2013
	€	%
Payroll	25,621,066	42%
Operational	26,076,989	43%
Administration	2,521,437	4%
Establishment	582,900	1%
Financial	5,666,310	9%
Miscellaneous	303,097	1%
Total	60,771,800	100%



Comparison of Year on Year Divisions: Expenditure Budgets



Comparison of Year on Year Divisions: Income Budgets



History of Annual Rate on Valuation

Local Authority Budget for the Financial Year Ending 31st December 2013			
HISTORY OF ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION			
Year	Rate	Year	Rate
1984	21.67	1999	44.99
1985	23.84	2000	47.24
1986	25.03	2001	50.78
1987	26.28	2002	54.33
1988	27.59	2003	59.22
1989	28.97	2004	63.37
1990	30.42	2005	66.54
1991	31.33	2006	70.53
1992	32.90	2007	73.35
1993	34.55	2008	76.28
1994	35.59	2009	76.66
1995	37.37	2010	75.13
1996	39.24	2011	74.38
1997	41.20	2012	74.38
1998	42.85	2013	72.89

Statutory Tables



TABLE A - CALCULATION OF ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2013						
Roscommon County Council						
Summary by Service Division	Expenditure €	Income €	Estimated Net Expenditure 2013 €	%	Estimated Outturn 2012 Net Expenditure €	%
Gross Revenue Expenditure and Income						
A Housing and Building	6,424,500	6,038,900	385,600	1.4%	270,700	
B Road Transport & Safety	19,884,700	15,438,400	4,446,300	15.9%	4,596,400	
C Water Services	11,130,400	4,527,800	6,602,600	23.6%	6,374,900	
D Development Management	5,087,800	884,800	4,203,000	15.0%	3,785,700	
E Environmental Services	7,599,400	1,058,300	6,541,100	23.3%	6,625,600	
F Recreation and Amenity	3,085,200	557,000	2,528,200	9.0%	2,676,300	
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	3,255,500	2,733,000	522,500	1.9%	558,400	
H Miscellaneous Services	4,304,300	1,508,800	2,795,500	10.0%	3,221,800	
	60,771,800	32,747,000	28,024,800	100.0%	28,109,800	
Minus County Charge			-		-	
Provision for Debit Balance			-		-	
ADJUSTED GROSS EXPENDITURE AND INCOME	(A)		28,024,800		28,109,800	
Provision for Credit Balance			-		-	
Local Government Fund / General Purpose Grant			15,828,208		15,532,000	
Pension Related Deduction			1,135,000		1,100,000	
SUB - TOTAL	(B)		16,963,208		16,632,000	
AMOUNT OF RATES TO BE LEVIED	(C)=(A)-(B)		11,061,592			
NET EFFECTIVE VALUATION	(D)		151,750			
GENERAL ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION	(C) / (D)		72.89			

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2013 and Estimated Outturn for 2012									
Division and Services	2013				2012				
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income		
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	
A Housing and Building									
A01 Maintenance & Improvement of LA Housing Units	1,791,500	1,791,500	3,155,900	3,155,900	1,472,800	1,472,800	3,005,800	3,005,800	
A02 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer	272,000	272,000	15,500	15,500	208,400	208,400	12,400	12,400	
A03 Housing Rent and Tenant Purchase Administration	133,700	133,700	8,600	8,600	136,600	136,600	6,800	6,800	
A04 Housing Community Development Support	179,000	179,000	67,200	67,200	225,300	225,300	14,700	14,700	
A05 Administration of Homeless Service	29,300	29,300	8,300	8,300	10,400	10,400	3,000	7,500	
A06 Support to Housing Capital Prog.	621,300	621,300	146,600	146,600	524,100	524,100	146,500	146,500	
A07 RAS Programme	2,663,800	2,663,800	2,450,600	2,450,600	2,515,000	2,515,000	2,446,400	2,446,400	
A08 Housing Loans	417,100	417,100	159,000	159,000	547,600	547,600	145,100	140,600	
A09 Housing Grants	316,800	316,800	200	200	438,200	438,200	200	200	
A11 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	27,000	27,000	100	100	27,000	27,000	
A Division Total	6,424,500	6,424,500	6,038,900	6,038,900	6,078,500	6,078,500	5,807,900	5,807,900	

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2013 and Estimated Outturn for 2012								
Division and Services	2013				2012			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
B Road Transport & Safety								
B01 NP Road - Maintenance and Improvement	793,800	793,800	538,100	538,100	897,000	897,000	667,400	667,400
B02 NS Road - Maintenance and Improvement	682,100	682,100	509,100	509,100	771,000	771,000	579,000	579,000
B03 Regional Road - Maintenance and Improvement	5,292,200	5,292,200	4,460,900	4,460,900	7,054,900	7,054,900	6,211,900	6,211,900
B04 Local Road - Maintenance and Improvement	10,212,800	10,212,800	7,552,200	7,552,200	10,339,900	10,339,900	7,790,500	7,790,500
B05 Public Lighting	695,200	695,200	123,800	123,800	680,100	680,100	109,800	109,800
B06 Traffic Management Improvement	16,600	16,600	-	-	23,400	23,400	29,800	29,800
B07 Road Safety Engineering Improvement	441,200	441,200	373,500	373,500	800,800	800,800	402,000	402,000
B08 Road Safety Promotion & Education	150,000	150,000	29,900	29,900	119,200	119,200	20,600	20,600
B09 Car Parking	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B10 Support to Roads Capital Prog	497,300	497,300	83,100	83,100	406,300	406,300	50,100	50,100
B11 Agency & Recoupable Services	1,103,500	1,103,500	1,767,800	1,767,800	1,199,500	1,199,500	1,834,500	1,834,500
B Division Total	19,884,700	19,884,700	15,438,400	15,438,400	22,292,100	22,292,100	17,695,600	17,695,600

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2013 and Estimated Outturn for 2012

	2013				2012			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Division and Services								
C Water Services								
C01 Water Supply	5,826,900	5,826,900	2,576,900	2,576,900	5,482,700	5,482,700	2,584,000	2,584,000
C02 Waste Water Treatment	4,049,400	4,049,400	904,000	904,000	3,250,900	3,250,900	903,500	903,500
C03 Collection of Water and Waste Water Charges	927,000	927,000	13,500	13,500	902,900	902,900	11,700	11,700
C04 Public Conveniences	51,900	51,900	63,300	63,300	58,700	58,700	51,200	51,200
C05 Admin of Group and Private Installations	23,700	23,700	-	-	119,600	119,600	23,900	23,900
C06 Support to Water Capital Programme	207,000	207,000	46,600	46,600	237,400	237,400	48,200	48,200
C07 Agency & Recoupable Services	44,500	44,500	923,500	923,500	44,000	44,000	98,700	98,700
C Division Total	11,130,400	11,130,400	4,527,800	4,527,800	10,096,200	10,096,200	3,721,200	3,721,200

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2013 and Estimated Outturn for 2012								
Division and Services	2013				2012			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
D Development Management								
D01 Forward Planning	671,100	671,100	400	400	632,500	632,500	500	500
D02 Development Management	1,706,000	1,706,000	141,400	141,400	1,854,400	1,854,400	148,500	148,500
D03 Enforcement	745,100	745,100	400	400	796,000	796,000	600	600
D04 Industrial and Commercial Facilities	156,500	156,500	9,700	9,700	141,700	141,700	11,200	11,200
D05 Tourism Development and Promotion	146,100	146,100	69,900	69,900	112,600	112,600	35,700	35,700
D06 Community and Enterprise Function	566,200	566,200	68,000	68,000	478,600	478,600	98,900	98,900
D07 Unfinished Housing Estates	237,000	237,000	12,300	12,300	89,000	89,000	7,600	7,600
D08 Building Control	136,600	136,600	17,300	17,300	118,000	118,000	17,400	17,400
D09 Economic Development and Promotion	77,700	77,700	86,200	86,200	96,100	96,100	27,000	27,000
D10 Property Management	363,400	363,400	316,000	316,000	76,400	76,400	293,700	293,700
D11 Heritage and Conservation Services	166,000	166,000	47,200	47,200	163,900	163,900	132,400	132,400
D12 Agency & Recoupable Services	116,100	116,100	116,000	116,000	265,000	265,000	265,000	265,000
D Division Total	5,087,800	5,087,800	884,800	884,800	4,824,200	4,824,200	1,038,500	1,038,500

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Division and Services	2013				2012			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E Environmental Services								
E01 Landfill Operation and Aftercare	1,898,400	1,898,400	81,800	81,800	1,940,900	1,940,900	89,200	89,200
E02 Recovery & Recycling Facilities Operations	730,900	730,900	237,700	237,700	766,300	766,300	237,500	237,500
E03 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
E04 Provision of Waste to Collection Services	12,300	12,300	-	-	2,300	2,300	-	-
E05 Litter Management	518,600	518,600	32,600	32,600	485,600	485,600	32,300	32,300
E06 Street Cleaning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
E07 Waste Regulations, Monitoring and Enforcement	391,800	391,800	189,900	189,900	388,400	388,400	189,800	189,800
E08 Waste Management Planning	80,400	80,400	37,900	37,900	55,000	55,000	27,600	27,600
E09 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	327,200	327,200	90,300	90,300	335,700	335,700	111,000	111,000
E10 Safety of Structures and Places	219,000	219,000	85,100	85,100	261,100	261,100	99,500	99,500
E11 Operation of Fire Service	2,930,800	2,930,800	170,700	170,700	2,886,300	2,886,300	80,500	80,500
E12 Fire Prevention	-	-	50,000	50,000	400	400	50,000	50,000
E13 Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution	425,200	425,200	79,300	79,300	444,000	444,000	72,300	72,300
E14 Agency & Recoupable Services	64,800	64,800	3,000	3,000	65,100	65,100	16,000	16,000
E Division Total	7,599,400	7,599,400	1,058,300	1,058,300	7,631,100	7,631,100	1,005,700	1,005,700

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2013 and Estimated Outturn for 2012								
Division and Services	2013				2012			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
F Recreation and Amenity								
F01 Leisure Facilities Operations	178,100	178,100	55,600	55,600	168,200	168,200	47,400	47,400
F02 Operation of Library and Archival Service	1,430,100	1,430,100	63,900	63,900	1,500,400	1,500,400	60,500	60,500
F03 Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations	598,200	598,200	7,600	7,600	704,500	704,500	4,100	4,100
F04 Community Sport and Recreational Development	127,500	127,500	90,600	90,600	114,700	114,700	117,200	117,200
F05 Operation of Arts Programme	751,300	751,300	339,300	339,300	730,000	730,000	312,400	312,400
F06 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
F Division Total	3,085,200	3,085,200	557,000	557,000	3,217,800	3,217,800	541,600	541,600

Table B: Expenditure and Income for 2013 and Estimated Outturn for 2012								
	2013				2012			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Division and Services								
G Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare								
G01 Land Drainage Costs	243,900	243,900	8,900	8,900	311,000	311,000	7,100	7,100
G02 Operation and Maintenance of Piers and Harbours	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G03 Coastal Protection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G04 Veterinary Service	394,500	394,500	223,700	223,700	350,700	350,700	228,800	228,800
G05 Educational Support Services	2,617,100	2,617,100	2,500,400	2,500,400	5,835,300	5,835,300	5,702,700	5,702,700
G06 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G Division Total	3,255,500	3,255,500	2,733,000	2,733,000	6,497,000	6,497,000	5,938,600	5,938,600

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	2013				2012			
	Expenditure		Income		Expenditure		Income	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Division and Services								
H Miscellaneous Services								
H01 Profit & Loss Machinery Account	153,000	153,000	1,000	1,000	187,100	187,100	1,300	1,300
H02 Profit & Loss Stores Account	26,500	26,500	9,100	9,100	14,000	14,000	9,800	9,800
H03 Administration of Rates	2,186,400	2,186,400	30,400	30,400	1,808,600	2,158,600	30,400	30,400
H04 Franchise Costs	129,200	129,200	17,200	17,200	143,200	143,200	700	700
H05 Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses	110,400	110,400	3,300	3,300	113,300	113,300	33,300	33,300
H06 Weighbridges	1,000	1,000	-	-	1,200	1,200	-	-
H07 Operation of Markets and Casual Trading	125,400	125,400	13,500	13,500	32,500	32,500	-	-
H08 Malicious Damage	23,500	23,500	3,700	3,700	2,500	2,500	31,600	31,600
H09 Local Representation & Civic Leadership	995,300	995,300	-	-	1,465,200	1,465,200	1,000	1,000
H10 Motor Taxation	475,300	475,300	25,600	25,600	546,100	546,100	25,600	25,600
H11 Agency & Recoupable Services	78,300	78,300	1,405,000	1,405,000	54,800	54,800	1,363,000	1,363,000
H Division Total	4,304,300	4,304,300	1,508,800	1,508,800	4,368,500	4,718,500	1,496,700	1,496,700
Overall Total	60,771,800	60,771,800	32,747,000	32,747,000	65,005,400	65,355,400	37,245,800	37,245,800

Table C - CALCULATION OF THE ANNUAL RATE ON VALUATION FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2013						
Roscommon County Council						
Name of Town	Money Demanded		Irrecoverable Rates and Cost of Collection		Total Sum to be raised (Sum of Col 2 & Col 4)	Annual Rate on Valuation to meet sum required in Col 6
	Estimated Col 2 €	Adopted Col 3 €	Estimated Col 4 €	Adopted Col 5 €		
Boyle	7,551		0		7,551	0.93
	7,551		0		7,551	0.93

Table D		
ANALYSIS OF BUDGET 2013 INCOME FROM GOODS AND SERVICES		
Source of Income	2013 €	2012 €
Rents from houses	5,376,600	5,226,600
Housing Loans Interest & Charges	142,900	127,900
Parking Fines & Charges	-	-
Commercial Water	2,054,000	2,054,000
Domestic Waste Water	-	-
Commercial Waste Water	900,000	900,000
Planning Fees	140,700	147,700
Sale/leasing of other property/Industrial Sites	290,000	290,000
Domestic Refuse Charges	299,000	312,000
Commercial Refuse Charges	-	-
Landfill Charges	-	-
Fire Charges	150,000	60,000
Recreation/Amenity/Culture	221,800	221,800
Library Fees/Fines	19,000	19,000
Agency Services & Repayable Works	1,169,100	2,858,100
Local Authority Contributions	342,100	367,100
Superannuation	768,100	828,002
NPPR	900,000	850,000
Other income	2,833,100	2,694,900
Total Goods and Services	15,606,400	16,957,102

Table E		
ANALYSIS OF BUDGET 2013 INCOME FROM GRANTS AND SUBSIDIES		
	2013	2012
	€	€
Department of Environment, Community and Local Government		
Housing & Building	375,200	308,200
Road Transport & Safety	-	-
Water Services	-	-
Development Management	65,000	172,000
Environmental Services	211,000	211,000
Recreation & Amenity	-	-
Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare	-	-
Miscellaneous Services	-	-
Sub-total	651,200	691,200
Other Departments and Bodies		
NRA & DoT	13,373,900	14,638,300
Arts, Sports and Tourism	-	-
DTO	-	-
Social and Family Affairs	-	-
Defence	-	-
Education and Science	2,500,000	3,400,000
Library Council	32,500	32,500
Arts Council	110,000	110,000
Transport and Marine	-	-
Justice Equality and Law Reform	50,000	50,000
Agriculture Fisheries and Food	-	-
Non Dept HFA and BMW	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	423,000	1,366,600
Sub-total	16,489,400	19,597,400
Total Grants and Subsidies	17,140,600	20,288,600



Division A Housing and Building



A Housing and Building

A01 Maintenance / Improvement of LA Housing Units

The expenditure provided for the management, maintenance, repair and improvement of Local Authority housing in 2013 is €814,000. This figure includes the sum of €155,000 for insurance of council properties which has increased by 30% over the 2012 budget. It also includes for the routine maintenance and repairs to occupied houses. Roscommon County Council manages over 1,350 local authority houses and this is the minimum amount required to maintain stock in a reasonable condition and return vacant houses to stock.

Under the 2012 Energy Efficiency Plan Roscommon County Council was allocated €200,000 for the retrofitting of insulation and other energy efficiency measures together with general refurbishment works to vacant Local Authority stock. Depending on the BER achieved, the Department funds on a sliding scale from 90% to 50% of the costs up to a maximum of €15,000 for energy works and €3,000 for general works per unit with the balance funded from the revenue budget or Internal Capital Receipts. A total of 24 houses were upgraded under this scheme in 2012. It is anticipated that this programme will be continued in 2013 with the assistance of grant aid from the Department. In addition a further 42 houses were refurbished and returned to stock funded by Internal Capital Receipts.

Traveller Accommodation

A figure of €140,100 is included in the Budget towards the cost of the management and maintenance of Traveller accommodation in the County. Ongoing revised caretaking arrangements for Traveller Accommodation in the County will achieve continued efficiencies in 2013. The budget allocation will result in prioritisation of maintenance and repair works to Traveller Accommodation.

Housing Rents

The Council operates a Differential Rent Scheme (DRS), which is reviewed on an annual basis. The rent charged is based on household income and is calculated in such a way that the amount of rent is reasonable and does not lead to undue financial difficulties. If a tenant's circumstances change, their rent will be re-assessed as soon as possible following notification to the Housing Authority of the change in circumstances. The Housing Authority will deal sympathetically with individual cases of hardship which arise pursuant to the provisions of the hardship clause in the DRS. The estimated rental income for 2013 is €3,033,900.

A02 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer

A total of 90 houses (6 new, 2 Long Term Leasing and 82 casual vacancies) were allocated in 2012.

Eligibility for social housing is determined in accordance with the Social Housing Assessment Regulations 2011 and the allocations are made in accordance with the Scheme of Letting Priorities. Under Section 9 of the Housing Act 1988, housing authorities are required to carry out periodic assessments of housing need at intervals not exceeding three years of the need for the provision of suitable accommodation for persons in need of re-housing. The most recent assessment carried out by Roscommon County Council in March 2011 showed a net need of 483 applicants on the waiting list. The next statutory Assessment of Housing Need will take place in 2013. There were 346 applicants on the approved housing list at 30th November 2012.

A03 Housing Rent and Tenant Purchase Administration

Tenant Purchase

The Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government has announced the ending of the 1995 Tenant Purchase Scheme with effect from the 31st December 2012. Applications received on or before the closing date will be processed as quickly as possible in 2013. It is anticipated that the DECLG will introduce a new purchase scheme in mid 2013.

In 2011 the Government introduced the 2011 Fixed Term Tenant Purchase for tenants in Local Authority houses for over 10 years. Sales under this scheme were finalised in 2012.

A total of 10 houses were sold under both Schemes in 2012.

Sale of Rural Housing Plots

In 2012 the Council advertised 13 rural houses for sale and tenders were accepted for 6 of the houses. Sales will be completed to successful bidders in 2013.

A04 Housing Community Development Support

A number of initiatives have been undertaken over the past number of years under the heading of estate management. In 2012 Roscommon County Council leased a second house to Lisnamult Residents Association Limited. The house will be used as a Resource Centre and is known as Marian House. In addition the Council leased a house at Henry Street, Roscommon to Roscommon Community Playschool. It is essential that vibrant and committed local communities are supported, encouraged and empowered to play a meaningful role in social partnership. The Housing Liaison Officer continues to meet with Council tenants on a regular basis. The officer works closely with agencies including the Health Service Executive, Gardaí, Roscommon LEADER Partnership, local sports and voluntary groups, Tenants and Residents Associations.

The completion of pre-tenancy training continues to be a prerequisite for all Local Authority tenants and the Estate Management Plan adopted by the Council will assist in ensuring a consistent approach in managing estates.

A05 Administration of Homeless Service

The Roscommon Homeless Forum Action Plan 2008 – 2011 was adopted by this Council on 28th April, 2008. It is an integrated strategy to tackle homelessness in County Roscommon.

A sum of €29,300 (including Service Support Costs) has been included in the Budget for the provision of emergency accommodation for homeless persons. Expenditure incurred by Local Authorities is recoupable at a rate of 90% from the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government.

A06 Support to Housing Capital & Affordable Programme

Affordable Housing Scheme

The Junior Minister for Housing announced a standing down of Affordable Housing programmes in June 2011 and has commissioned a comprehensive review of Part V of the Planning & Development Act 2000.

Sale of Private Sites

The Council continues to have available a number of fully serviced sites for sale to first time buyers. The sites are sold at a significant discount from market value and purchasers are allowed to select their own house type subject to planning permission being granted. There are currently 12 sites available to purchase, one at Ardsallaghmore, Roscommon Town and eleven at Forest View, Boyle.

Voluntary Sector

The Voluntary Sector is a valuable provider of social and affordable housing, whether working in partnership with the Local Authority or private developers. The Council acknowledges the contribution of the sector towards the provision of housing in the County and welcomes the opportunity to work with the Voluntary and Co-operative Housing Sector to meet the accommodation needs of the County.

The Council maintains close contact with every voluntary housing group when planning and constructing a scheme or when selecting suitable tenants. Under the Capital loan and subsidy scheme, a subsidy is payable to the voluntary body in the sum of €436 per house per annum and a figure of €13,600 to cover the maintenance and upkeep of the Strokestown Scheme and the Ballinagare Scheme is provided. A figure of €136,300 to meet the loan charges in respect of the three Loan Subsidy Schemes is also provided. The loan charges and maintenance charges in respect of these schemes are 100% recoupable from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government.

A07 RAS Programme

The Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS) is a housing initiative introduced by the Government in 2004, and involves local authorities progressively assuming responsibility for accommodating rent supplement recipients who have a defined long term housing need, through direct arrangements between the Local Authority and the private rented sector. The scheme is now considered to be a long term social housing option.

In 2012, a total of 94 units have been transferred under the scheme. Total units currently in the scheme at the end of 2012 is 362. This is made up of 73 units in the Voluntary Sector and 289 in the Private Sector. There are a number of contracts at the pending stage and we are continuing to interview RAS applicants to assess their eligibility for the scheme and interested Landlords are being contacted in order to negotiate lease agreements on a continuous basis.

The scheme is self financing and covers the ongoing costs of administration, including staff, office accommodation costs, legal fees, advertising etc... The Department has informed the Council that any surplus of funds generated by the scheme must be retained in a separate fund and used exclusively for the purpose of the RAS scheme.

Under the Private Residential Tenancies Act 2004 local authorities are responsible for enforcement of statutory regulations for Private Rented Accommodation. In line with this Roscommon County Council is inspecting private rented accommodation on an ongoing basis and following up landlords with unfit accommodation. Inspections and enforcement proceedings are managed by the RAS staff.

An amount of €2,454,200 has been provided to meet the direct costs associated with the Rental Accommodation Scheme in 2013.

Leasing

Social housing will also be delivered under the Long Term Social Leasing Scheme. The Council has a total of ten houses leased under the Long Term Leasing Scheme in Castlereagh, Boyle and Roscommon.

A08 Housing Loans

Applicants can be considered for house purchase loans for persons who did not previously own a dwelling and for reconstruction loans to modify or extend existing houses. Applicants must meet specific income criteria and the Housing (Local Authority Loans) Regulations 2009 sets out the requirements and process for the approval of loans by a local authority. The maximum house purchase loan that can be advanced is €220,000 depending on the applicant's ability to repay and the maximum house improvement loan is €15,000 (unsecured) and €38,000 (secured).

Shared Ownership

This scheme facilitates access to full home ownership in two or more stages and is designed primarily for first time buyers who meet certain income criteria. Suitable applicants must acquire a minimum equity of 40% in the dwelling initially and rent the Council's equity with an undertaking to acquire the Council's equity within 25 years. The total number of loans advanced under the Shared Ownership Scheme since its inception is 21.

Improvement Works in Lieu of Local Authority Housing Scheme

Under the Improvement Works In Lieu of Local Authority Housing Scheme approved applicants for re-housing can renovate or extend their existing accommodation as an alternative to accepting a local authority house provided their existing house is considered suitable for improvement. The scheme is attractive to certain housing applicants as it allows these people to live in improved living conditions while remaining in their present environment. This scheme has operated throughout the county over the past number of years. One project was finalised in 2012 with a further project to be progressed in 2013. This scheme is currently funded from exchequer grants and Internal Capital Receipts.

A09 Housing Grant

The Housing Adaptation Grant Scheme for Older People and People with a Disability replaced the now discontinued Disabled Persons and Essential Repairs Grant Schemes.

The current framework of grant assistance is funded by a contribution of 80% from the Department and 20% from the Council.

In order to fund the current framework of grant assistance it is intended to provide €150,000 in 2013 to meet the Council's portion of 20% of the grant schemes. This will reduce the potential overall spend on grants for 2013 to €750,000, compared to a total budget of €979,251 in 2012. This level of funding will only provide sufficient resources to cover the number of urgent applications that are awaiting approval.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division A - Housing and Building				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
A0101 Maintenance of LA Housing Units	814,000	814,000	610,500	610,500
A0102 Maintenance of Traveller Accommodation Units	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
A0103 Traveller Accommodation Management	100,100	100,100	85,200	85,200
A0104 Estate Maintenance	12,600	12,600	12,100	12,100
A0199 Service Support Costs	824,800	824,800	725,038	725,000
A01 Maintenance & Improvement of LA Housing Units	1,791,500	1,791,500	1,472,838	1,472,800
A0201 Assessment of Housing Needs, Allocs. & Trans.	197,800	197,800	136,500	136,500
A0299 Service Support Costs	74,200	74,200	71,946	71,900
A02 Housing Assessment, Allocation and Transfer	272,000	272,000	208,446	208,400
A0301 Debt Management & Rent Assessment	88,600	88,600	94,100	94,100
A0399 Service Support Costs	45,100	45,100	42,537	42,500
A03 Housing Rent and Tenant Purchase Administration	133,700	133,700	136,637	136,600
A0401 Housing Estate Management	87,100	87,100	135,700	135,700
A0402 Tenancy Management	13,200	13,200	20,200	20,200
A0403 Social and Community Housing Service	-	-	-	-
A0499 Service Support Costs	78,700	78,700	69,389	69,400
A04 Housing Community Development Support	179,000	179,000	225,289	225,300
A0501 Homeless Grants Other Bodies	-	-	-	-
A0502 Homeless Service	4,500	4,500	5,000	5,000
A0599 Service Support Costs	24,800	24,800	5,401	5,400
A05 Administration of Homeless Service	29,300	29,300	10,401	10,400
A0601 Technical and Administrative Support	342,800	342,800	269,800	269,800
A0602 Loan Charges	136,600	136,600	146,300	146,300
A0699 Service Support Costs	141,900	141,900	108,004	108,000
A06 Support to Housing Capital Prog.	621,300	621,300	524,104	524,100
A0701 RAS Operations	2,092,100	2,092,100	2,092,100	2,092,100
A0702 Long Term Leasing	-	-	-	-
A0799 Service Support Costs	571,700	571,700	422,939	422,900
A07 RAS Programme	2,663,800	2,663,800	2,515,039	2,515,000

Table F - Expenditure				
Division A - Housing and Building				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
A0801 Loan Interest and Other Charges	252,600	252,600	409,200	409,200
A0802 Debt Management Housing Loans	46,800	46,800	27,400	27,400
A0899 Service Support Costs	117,700	117,700	110,990	111,000
A08 Housing Loans	417,100	417,100	547,590	547,600
A0901 Disabled Persons Grants	-	-	-	-
A0902 Loan Charges DPG/ERG	-	-	-	-
A0903 Essential Repair Grants	95,000	95,000	125,000	125,000
A0904 Other Housing Grant Payments	-	-	-	-
A0905 Mobility Aids Housing Grants	55,000	55,000	60,000	60,000
A0999 Service Support Costs	166,800	166,800	253,241	253,200
A09 Housing Grants	316,800	316,800	438,241	438,200
A1099 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
A10 Voluntary Housing Scheme	-	-	-	-
A1101 Agency & Recoupable Service	-	-	-	-
A1199 Service Support Costs	-	-	113	100
A11 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	113	100
A Division Total	6,424,500	6,424,500	6,078,698	6,078,500

Table F - Income				
Division A - Housing and Building				
Income by Source	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Community & Local Government	375,200	375,200	308,200	308,200
Other Grants & Subsidies	-	-	-	-
Total Government Grants	375,200	375,200	308,200	308,200
Goods & Services				
Rents from houses	5,376,600	5,376,600	5,226,600	5,226,600
Housing Loans Interest & Charges	142,900	142,900	127,900	127,900
Agency Services & Repayable Works	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500
Superannuation	62,300	62,300	63,443	63,400
Local Authority Contributions	-	-	-	-
Other income	76,400	76,400	76,400	76,400
Total Goods & Services	5,663,700	5,663,700	5,499,843	5,499,800
Division 'A' Total	6,038,900	6,038,900	5,808,043	5,808,000

Division B

Roads, Transportation and Safety



B Roads, Transportation and Safety

B01 National Primary Road – Maintenance and Improvement

B02 National Secondary Road – Maintenance and Improvement

B03 Regional Road – Improvement and Maintenance

B04 Local Road – Maintenance and Improvement

Road Grants

The Council has not yet received notification of the road grants for 2013 from the National Roads Authority or the Department of Transport, Tourism & Sport. The figures included in the Budget for 2013 are therefore in line with the 2012 grant allocations. The budget allocation for national roads in 2013 will be committed to national road schemes at construction or closeout stage. It is anticipated that funding for minor schemes or schemes in the planning stage will be significantly reduced in 2013. Funding for the national network in recent years has enabled the construction of the M6 Motorway and the significant improvement of the national network in the county. Regrettably, this level of funding will not continue due to the current national economic climate.

The current three year Multi-Annual Road Restoration Programme is now complete and the Council has carried out restoration or improvement works on 116 km of regional roads and 831 km of local roads under the Programme. Funding for non-national roads will be based on the Multi-Annual Restoration Programme 2013 – 2016. This Programme will be based on a 15% reduction of the non-national allocation for 2012. The combined reduction in funding for both national and non-national roads will impact significantly by restricting the number of Minor Schemes sanctioned and impacting on the Restoration / Improvement Programme that can be delivered in 2013 and future years.

The Specific Improvement Grant Scheme for improvement works on non-national roads continued in 2012, albeit at a reduced level. In order to qualify for funding under the scheme, projects have to make a significant and justifiable economic impact, particularly in relation to the development of industrial, tourism, agriculture, forestry and rural development projects. There were two road improvement projects funded under this scheme in 2012.

Investment in the proper maintenance, repair and upgrading of the national and extensive non-national network in the county is paramount to the preservation of the roads network as well as ensuring the social and economic viability and accessibility for the community. However, the total funding for road grants falls far short of achieving these objectives.

Non-National Roads – Own Resources

The shortfall in the allocation for the maintenance of local roads over many years has resulted in a significant reduction in the level of maintenance. Some essential elements of maintenance including drainage, verge trimming and the renewal of signs and markings have been inadequately funded.

Local road maintenance is funded from both the Council's own resources and the Discretionary Grant. Accordingly, there is some discretion in the amount of funding that can be provided for this work. Although the amounts provided in previous years have been inadequate to meet all road maintenance requirements, it is regretted that in the current budgetary situation, it is again necessary to make a substantial reduction in the allocation for 2013. It is proposed to reduce the amount available from the Council's own resources for road maintenance and non-recoupable road works in the coming year to €1,015,000, a reduction of €184,200 compared with 2012. This decrease for local roads represents a 15% reduction on the 2012 allocation. It should be noted that the amount allocated from

Roscommon County Council's resources in 2009 was €2,691,000. The reduction in the budget for local road maintenance of the magnitude referred to, will have a severe impact on the level of service that can be provided in 2013.

Therefore, the maintenance works programme for 2013 will prioritise pavement maintenance (pothole repair) and road drainage. Verge trimming, grass cutting in towns and villages, litter control and road sweeping will be provided at a minimum level, if at all. Hedge trimming, which is the responsibility of landowners, will not be undertaken by the Council. Litter control and road sweeping will be restored on a Sunday morning.

National Road Improvement Works (Capital Projects)

The schemes listed hereunder are funded from capital road grants and accordingly their funding is not provided for in the Revenue Budget.

The Council has sought funding from the National Roads Authority for the following projects in 2013: -

Major Schemes:

N5 Ballaghaderreen Bypass – Carracastle to Tibohine

The contract for construction work on this project was awarded in 2012 and construction work commenced in November, 2012. The works include the construction of approximately 13.6 km of standard single carriageway in addition to approximately 9 km of accommodation roads, seven bridge structures, the realignment and tie-in of the existing regional and local road network including a grade separated junction with Regional Road 293 and various ancillary works. It is anticipated that the construction phase will be completed in approximately 2 years and it is envisaged that there will be significant progress made during 2013. The overall cost estimate for the project is €59 Million.

Minor Schemes

N60 Oran Road Realignment Project

The Oran Road Realignment Project involves the realignment of the N60 National Secondary route between Fearaghafin and Clooneenbaun townlands and provides for the construction of approximately 3.4 km of carriageway including 2.1 km of offline construction and 1.3 km of online widening to standard single carriageway status. The overall estimated cost of the project is €7.6 million with an estimated road opening date of mid-2015. It is expected that the planning process required for specified development under Section 179 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 and Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations, 2001 will be finalised in early 2013. The Compulsory Purchase Order process and the preparation of the Construction Documents will be undertaken in 2013.

N61 Treanagry and Ratalen:

The Rathallen & Treanagry road realignment projects are located on the N61 National Secondary route north and south of the N61/R370 crossroads junction respectively. Both projects involve the realignment of approximately 1 km of the N61 route and provide for the elimination of severe existing bends. The process required for specified development under Section 179 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 and Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations, 2001, and the Compulsory Purchase Order process were completed in 2012. It is anticipated that funding will be provided to carry out the ground investigation works, detailed design and contract documents in 2013. In addition, approval from the National Roads Authority to acquire the lands and property described in the Compulsory Purchase Order and to seek tenders for the construction of these projects are milestones in 2013.

Pavement Improvement or Strengthening and Associated Works:

Roscommon County Council has submitted applications for funding for the following schemes to improve road alignment and pavement conditions:

- N4 Leitrim County Boundary to Junction with Regional Road R368
- N60 Ballycahir Level Crossing to Ballymoe
- N61 Greatmeadow, Boyle to Regional Road 361 Junction
- N61 Athlone Town Boundary to roundabout at N6 slip road
- N61 Carrownderry to Kiltoom
- N61 Casey's Roundabout to Local Road L7055-0 Junction
- N63 Athleague to Keenagh

High Cost Accident Remedial Measures.

The National Roads Authority indicated in 2011 that it proposed to fund schemes under a new High Cost Accident Remedial Measure. The programme was designed to cater for schemes involving road realignment and pavement improvement to the value of €1m. per scheme. Roscommon County Council has submitted a number of schemes for approval under the Programme as follows:

- N60 Meelickaduff, West of Castlerea
- N61 Clashaganny to Tulsk
- N61 Traffic Calming on Athlone Road, Roscommon
- N61 Ballymurphy, Roscommon.

However, the indications would suggest that funding will not become available in the short term for the progression of these schemes given the current economic climate.

B05 Public Lighting

The Council entered into a new contract with its energy supplier during 2012 for the supply of energy to illuminate the public lighting system throughout the county. In addition, the Council, in conjunction with the other local authorities in the Connaught region, entered into a Maintenance Contract in late 2011 for the general repairs to the system. The revised arrangements provide competitive rates for the maintenance and upkeep of the public lighting system. A figure of €695,200 has been provided for public lighting in the budget. Despite this provision, the expenditure under this heading must be carefully monitored throughout 2013 and further adjustments may be necessary to remain within budget.

B06 Traffic Management Improvement

The Council has provided a sum of €16,600 in the budget to meet costs in relation to accident prevention measures. These costs are in the main staff costs as well as a proportion of the Central Management Charge identified in Appendix 1.

B07 Road Safety Engineering Improvements

The Council, as with headings B01-B04, has not yet received notification of the level of grant that will be available for low cost remedial measures. The Council has made provision for €175,000 under the Low Cost Remedial Measures.

The level of work to be undertaken in this area will be dependent upon the amount of grant funding made available to the Council by the NRA. The Council will use various engineering measures, such as renewed signage, road lining and improved junction definition to improve road safety.

Footpaths

It is proposed to fund the improvement/provision of footpaths in 2013 from the Council's Capital Programme. The allocation for footpaths will be €300,000 i.e. €50,000 per Engineering Area. Priority will be given to the repairs of existing rather than the provision of new footpaths.

B08 Road Safety Promotion \ Education

The Junior School Warden service costs are met under this heading as well as publicity campaigns and promotion costs to promote awareness of road safety amongst the public. The allocation under this heading has been retained at €10,000 for 2013. Priority will be given to the Junior School Warden Programme in 2013 including the hosting of the Regional Competition.

B09 Maintenance and Management of Car Parking

Car parking bye-laws for the management and control of car parks were adopted by the Council in September, 2011. There is no funding available to the Council for the development of new car parks due to the reduction in income from development levies.

B10 Support to Roads Capital Programme

The administration costs (i.e. indirect costs) in relation to supporting the Roads Capital Programme are met from the revenue budget of the Council.

The budget has identified the staff costs associated with providing support to the programme, as well as a proportion of the Central Management Charge.

B11 Agency and Recoupable Services

The County Council is allowed to charge an agreed overhead rate for all jobs undertaken by County Council staff. The income derived from the overhead charge meets the costs of holiday pay, sick pay and insurance costs. Income from Road Opening Licences and work undertaken for other bodies such as ESB or Eircom are accounted for within this budget heading.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division B - Road Transport & Safety				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
B0101 NP - Surface Dressing	-	-	80,900	80,900
B0102 NP - Pavement Overlay/Reconstruction	-	-	-	-
B0103 NP - Winter Maintenance	170,700	170,700	170,000	170,000
B0104 NP - Bridge Maintenance (Eirspan)	-	-	5,000	5,000
B0105 NP - General Maintenance	367,500	367,500	368,200	368,200
B0106 NP - General Improvements Works	-	-	-	-
B0199 Service Support Costs	255,600	255,600	272,900	272,900
B01 NP Road - Maintenance and Improvement	793,800	793,800	897,000	897,000
B0201 NS - Surface Dressing	-	-	121,600	121,600
B0202 NS - Overlay/Reconstruction	-	-	-	-
B0203 NS - Overlay/Reconstruction – Urban	-	-	-	-
B0204 NS - Winter Maintenance	160,000	160,000	120,000	120,000
B0205 NS - Bridge Maintenance (Eirspan)	-	-	5,000	5,000
B0206 NS - General Maintenance	290,600	290,600	284,600	284,600
B0207 NS - General Improvement Works	-	-	-	-
B0299 Service Support Costs	231,500	231,500	239,810	239,800
B02 NS Road - Maintenance and Improvement	682,100	682,100	771,010	771,000
B0301 Regional Roads Surface Dressing	312,000	312,000	314,000	314,000
B0302 Reg Rd Surface Rest/Road Reconstruction/Overlay	2,142,000	2,142,000	3,347,000	3,347,000
B0303 Regional Road Winter Maintenance	311,900	311,900	415,800	415,800
B0304 Regional Road Bridge Maintenance	-	-	-	-
B0305 Regional Road General Maintenance Works	1,012,000	1,012,000	1,432,900	1,432,900
B0306 Regional Road General Improvement Works	680,000	680,000	700,000	700,000
B0399 Service Support Costs	834,300	834,300	845,197	845,200
B03 Regional Road - Maintenance and Improvement	5,292,200	5,292,200	7,054,897	7,054,900
B0401 Local Road Surface Dressing	2,196,000	2,196,000	2,194,000	2,194,000
B0402 Local Rd Surface Rest/Road Reconstruction/Overlay	4,006,000	4,006,000	4,313,000	4,313,000
B0403 Local Roads Winter Maintenance	-	-	-	-
B0404 Local Roads Bridge Maintenance	-	-	-	-
B0405 Local Roads General Maintenance Works	2,307,900	2,307,900	2,012,700	2,012,700
B0406 Local Roads General Improvement Works	-	-	95,000	95,000
B0499 Service Support Costs	1,702,900	1,702,900	1,725,171	1,725,200
B04 Local Road - Maintenance and Improvement	10,212,800	10,212,800	10,339,871	10,339,900

Table F - Expenditure				
Division B - Road Transport & Safety				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
B0501 Public Lighting Operating Costs	526,000	526,000	517,100	517,100
B0502 Public Lighting Improvement	-	-	-	-
B0599 Service Support Costs	169,200	169,200	163,002	163,000
B05 Public Lighting	695,200	695,200	680,102	680,100
B0601 Traffic Management	-	-	-	-
B0602 Traffic Maintenance	-	-	-	-
B0603 Traffic Improvement Measures	-	-	-	-
B0699 Service Support Costs	16,600	16,600	23,391	23,400
B06 Traffic Management Improvement	16,600	16,600	23,391	23,400
B0701 Low Cost Remedial Measures	175,000	175,000	215,000	215,000
B0702 Other Engineering Improvements	150,000	150,000	450,200	450,200
B0799 Service Support Costs	116,200	116,200	135,562	135,600
B07 Road Safety Engineering Improvement	441,200	441,200	800,762	800,800
B0801 School Wardens	17,300	17,300	20,800	20,800
B0802 Publicity and Promotion Road Safety	74,400	74,400	48,400	48,400
B0899 Service Support Costs	58,300	58,300	50,000	50,000
B08 Road Safety Promotion & Education	150,000	150,000	119,200	119,200
B0901 Maintenance and Management of Car Parks	-	-	-	-
B0902 Operation of Street Parking	-	-	-	-
B0903 Parking Enforcement	-	-	-	-
B0999 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
B09 Car Parking	-	-	-	-
B1001 Administration of Roads Capital Programme	288,200	288,200	247,500	247,500
B1099 Service Support Costs	209,100	209,100	158,768	158,800
B10 Support to Roads Capital Prog	497,300	497,300	406,268	406,300
B1101 Agency & Recoupable Service	657,100	657,100	657,100	657,100
B1199 Service Support Costs	446,400	446,400	542,393	542,400
B11 Agency & Recoupable Services	1,103,500	1,103,500	1,199,493	1,199,500
B Division Total	19,884,700	19,884,700	22,291,994	22,292,100

Table F - Income				
Division B - Road Transport & Safety				
Income by Source	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	-	-
Arts,Sports & Tourism	-	-	-	-
NRA & DoT	13,373,900	13,373,900	14,638,300	14,638,300
DTO	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	58,000	58,000	984,600	984,600
Total Government Grants	13,431,900	13,431,900	15,622,900	15,622,900
Goods & Services				
Parking Fines & Charges	-	-	-	-
Agency Services & Repayable Works	40,000	40,000	100,000	100,000
Superannuation	240,500	240,500	239,738	239,700
Local Authority Contributions	-	-	-	-
Other income	1,726,000	1,726,000	1,733,000	1,733,000
Total Goods & Services	2,006,500	2,006,500	2,072,738	2,072,700
Division 'B' Total	15,438,400	15,438,400	17,695,638	17,695,600

Division C
Water Services



C Water Services

C01 Operation & Maintenance of Water Supply

The provision of efficient water and wastewater infrastructure is essential to meet social, public health and environmental protection needs and is also vital to the availability of housing and to the development of the industrial and service sectors.

Roscommon County Council operates sixteen public water supply schemes (from twenty sources) serving over 40,000 customers and provides water to 110 semi-private group water schemes. I propose to allow the sum of €4,696,700 for direct expenditure on water production as well as a proportion of overheads to cover the cost of the service.

Lecarrow/Knockcroghery public water supply scheme is contracted to GlanAgua Limited under the terms of a Design, Build & Operate Contract. The Council maintain the network on this scheme.

The Water Conservation Programme to rehabilitate critical mains continued during 2012. The Council carried out work on the network in Roscommon town, Hodson Bay, Shankhill, Strokestown, Athleague and Boyle town by direct labour. Other smaller works were carried out by contract.

A countywide contract, valued at €1,300,000 commenced in August 2012. It covers 26 locations across the county and comprises of 28 km of new mains to replace those identified as having significant water losses. This contract is expected to be complete by March 2013. Conservation works to the total value of €5,000,000 will be completed before the end of the year. A further countywide contract will commence in 2013.

Under the Water Services Capital Investment Programme work on the North East Regional Water Supply Scheme and the treatment plants for the Boyle/Ardcarne, Roscommon Central, Arigna and South Roscommon Schemes is expected to commence in 2013. Advance works for the Castlerea element of the West Roscommon Water Supply Scheme will also begin. Under the water pricing policy the Council must fund the non-domestic element of the capital works and the drawdown of loans for these schemes will begin in 2013. Allowance has been made for their repayment in the revenue account.

Energy continues to be a significant cost in the provision of water and the most cost effective tariff for each supply is chosen between two providers following tendering - Energia and Airtricity. Chemicals for the treatment and disinfection of water supplies are also subject to competitive tendering on a regional basis.

C02 Operation and Maintenance of Waste Water Treatment

Roscommon County Council currently maintains twenty-nine wastewater treatment plants and associated sewerage networks in the county. It is proposed to provide the sum of €3,479,300 plus a proportion of overheads to cover the cost of this service in 2013.

A Contract was awarded to EPS Limited for the upgrading of seven village treatment plants and construction of three new plants under a Design Build and Operate contract. Three other village plants, constructed by Roscommon County Council under the Rural Water Programme, will also be operated by EPS Limited under the operation element of that contract – Cootehall, Lisacul and Tulsk.

As I had indicated in previous budgets, the operation of these village plants will have a significant impact on the revenue budget and the non-domestic wastewater charge in the future. In 2013, for the first time, all thirteen village plants will be operated under the DBO Contract. The capital investment in the waste water infrastructure in these villages guarantees that orderly and sustainable development can take place in each of them into the future.

However the contract cost of meeting the compliance requirements of the discharge certificates and licences is considerable.

Provision for loan charges for Roscommon's part of the upgrading of Roosky treatment plant, the network at Cortober (both of which form part of a DBO Contract with Leitrim County Council) and the water pricing element of the villages scheme has been made.

C03 Collection of Water and Waste Water Charges

Water Pricing Policy

The prices of non-domestic water and waste water for 2011 and 2012 were held at €1.22 and €1.50 per cubic metre, respectively. I propose to maintain these prices for a third year.

Loan charges to cover the cost of the contract and the costs of providing water and waste water services to non-domestic customers throughout the county are reflected in the imposition of a consolidated water services charge to these customers.

C04 Operation and Maintenance of Public Conveniences

The sum of €45,000 has been included in the Budget for the upkeep of public conveniences within the county for 2013. Over the last two years Community Groups assisted in maintaining the public conveniences at Roosky and Tarmonbarry during the Summer months. It is hoped to have a similar arrangement in 2013.

C05 Admin of Group and Private Installations

The salaries of staff involved in the administration of installations are met from this budget heading, as well as grants and subsidies as required.

C06 Support to Water Capital Programme

Rural Water Programme

A schedule of works under the Small Schemes Programme to be carried out in 2013 will be circulated to Members once allocations have been received from the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government.

Capital grants in the amount of 75% of the cost are available from central government. However the balance must be raised locally and an allocation is included from the capital account to meet this requirement.

C07 Agency & Recoupable Service

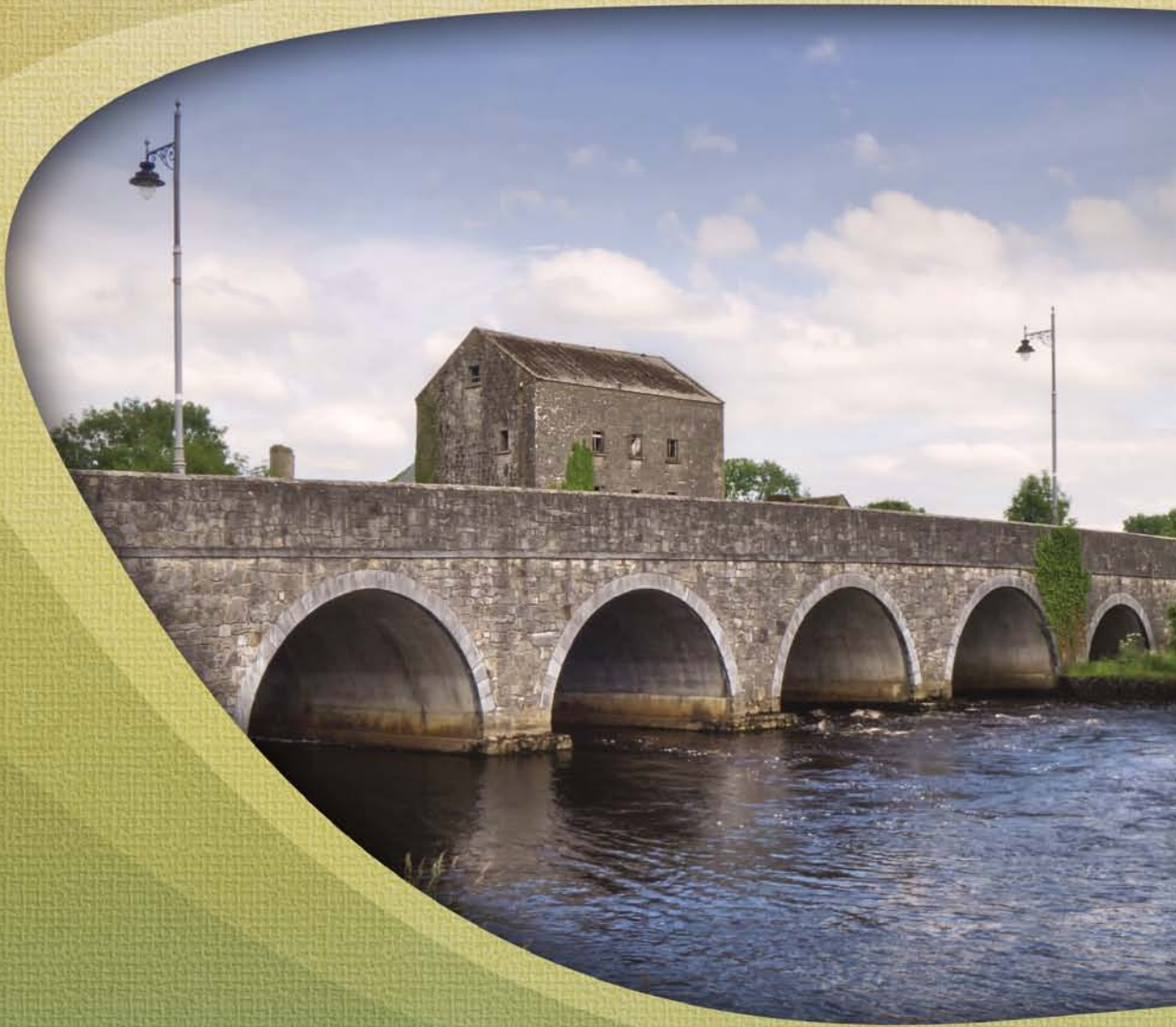
These costs are associated with the fluoridation of water supplies and are recoupable from the Health Services Executive.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division C - Water Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
C0101 Water Plants & Networks	3,494,500	3,494,500	3,285,100	3,285,100
C0199 Service Support Costs	2,332,400	2,332,400	2,197,556	2,197,600
C01 Water Supply	5,826,900	5,826,900	5,482,656	5,482,700
C0201 Waste Plants and Networks	2,379,000	2,379,000	1,876,300	1,876,300
C0299 Service Support Costs	1,670,400	1,670,400	1,374,609	1,374,600
C02 Waste Water Treatment	4,049,400	4,049,400	3,250,909	3,250,900
C0301 Debt Management Water and Waste Water	904,300	904,300	884,300	884,300
C0399 Service Support Costs	22,700	22,700	18,575	18,600
C03 Collection of Water and Waste Water Charges	927,000	927,000	902,875	902,900
C0401 Operation and Maintenance of Public Conveniences	45,000	45,000	53,000	53,000
C0499 Service Support Costs	6,900	6,900	5,742	5,700
C04 Public Conveniences	51,900	51,900	58,742	58,700
C0501 Grants for Individual Installations	-	-	-	-
C0502 Grants for Water Group Schemes	-	-	-	-
C0503 Grants for Waste Water Group Schemes	-	-	-	-
C0504 Group Water Scheme Subsidies	-	-	-	-
C0599 Service Support Costs	23,700	23,700	119,589	119,600
C05 Admin of Group and Private Installations	23,700	23,700	119,589	119,600
C0601 Technical Design and Supervision	149,000	149,000	177,400	177,400
C0699 Service Support Costs	58,000	58,000	59,967	60,000
C06 Support to Water Capital Programme	207,000	207,000	237,367	237,400
C0701 Agency & Recoupable Service	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
C0799 Service Support Costs	14,500	14,500	14,006	14,000
C07 Agency & Recoupable Services	44,500	44,500	44,006	44,000
C Division Total	11,130,400	11,130,400	10,096,144	10,096,200

Table F - Income				
Division C - Water Services				
Income by Source	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	-	-	-	-
Total Government Grants	-	-	-	-
Goods & Services				
Commercial Water	2,054,000	2,054,000	2,054,000	2,054,000
Domestic Waste Water	-	-	-	-
Commercial Waste Water	900,000	900,000	900,000	900,000
Agency Services & Repayable Works	895,000	895,000	75,000	75,000
Superannuation	162,700	162,700	168,146	168,100
Local Authority Contributions	322,100	322,100	322,100	322,100
Other income	194,000	194,000	202,000	202,000
Total Goods & Services	4,527,800	4,527,800	3,721,246	3,721,200
Division 'C' Total	4,527,800	4,527,800	3,721,246	3,721,200

Division D

Development Management



D Development Management

D01 Forward Planning

Local Area Plans for Boyle, Castlerea and Strokestown were adopted in 2012.

Work has started on the Roscommon Local Area Plan and this will be presented to Members in 2013 for adoption. The plan will take account of the information included within the Core Strategy, which was adopted by Members in October 2012.

There is a statutory responsibility to produce the 2014 – 2020 RCDP and this work started in the last quarter of 2012. The plan will take two years (mandatory timeframe) to produce and will include the revision of the Retail Strategy, Housing Strategy and the Record of Protected Structures. Regular meetings will take place with Members throughout the process and in line with Government policy the County Council will work with neighbouring local authorities in producing the various documents.

D02 Development Management

The 2000-2010 Planning Acts and associated Regulations continue to be implemented by the Planning Section. There has been a significant reduction in the number of applications received, which has led to a re-direction of resources to Enforcement issues and Unfinished Estates.

The new 2010 Planning Act has also placed additional responsibilities upon the Planning Authority, which will ultimately lead to additional costs being incurred to ensure compliance with the law.

The section continues to make use of new software and is heavily involved in the capture of data for the whole organisation in relation to GIS information.

D03 Enforcement

The Planning Enforcement Section enforces conditions attached to Planning Permissions granted by Roscommon County Council or An Bord Pleanála and investigates complaints of unauthorised developments.

There are currently 223 live cases, which are at various stages of the process. The work is complex in nature and requires extensive legal input.

As well as ensuring planning conditions are adhered to, the section is also involved in unfinished estates.

The planning enforcement section is also responsible for the collection of all development contributions attached to permissions granted. From January 2013 a dedicated team will be in place to collect funds where only debt is outstanding and all other conditions have been adhered to. An aggressive approach will be taken to the collection of income, which will include legal action where necessary.

D04 Operation and Maintenance of Industrial Sites and Commercial Facilities

The County Council encourages industrial development throughout the County and uses the funding available to promote County Roscommon for business start-ups. Roscommon County Council has developed 16 industrial sites at The Racecourse Road, Roscommon which are available at a significantly reduced rate. In addition industrial lands are also available in Castlerea, Ballaghaderreen, Elphin, Monksland, Boyle and Cortober.

D05 Tourism Development and Promotion

Roscommon County Council makes a significant contribution to tourism in the County through many departments, a role that is co-ordinated through the Community & Enterprise Department. The Council is also a central partner in the Roscommon Tourism Action Group which was established under the auspices of the County Development Board to co-ordinate and oversee the delivery of actions contained within the Roscommon Tourism Strategy 2010-2014. Roscommon County Council has provided an amount of €15,000 for the implementation of actions under the Roscommon Tourism Strategy during 2013.

An amount of €30,000 has been allocated to support 'The Gathering' flagship project in the county. This funding will be supplemented by €25,000 from Irish Public Bodies. €30,000 will also be distributed to Community Groups to assist with 'The Gathering' initiatives at local level. This will be fully funded by 'The Gathering Ireland' Local Community Fund.

D06 Community and Enterprise Function

Funding of €40,000 has been provided to fund the Roscommon County Development Board and the development of the new Socio Economic Committee structures which are serviced through the Community & Enterprise Section. This allocation will be spent on implementing those actions which are being led by the Community & Enterprise Section during 2013.

MeetWest 2012 was successfully held in County Roscommon in November and was attended by 395 delegates which is an increase from the 297 delegates who attended the 2011 event in Galway. It is proposed that the event will be held in Mayo in 2013 and a contribution of €10,000 will be made towards the organisation of the event. MeetWest is a partnership initiative between the four local authorities – Galway City and County, Mayo and Roscommon County Councils, the County Enterprise Boards of the Region, Enterprise Ireland, Udaras na Gaeltachta and the Western Development Commission. The objective of MeetWest is to promote business in the West of Ireland and the programme has been arranged to offer new and innovative networking opportunities.

Work has been ongoing during 2012 in amalgamating the Community Fora into one countywide representative body for the community and voluntary sector. Support in the form of advice and assistance will continue to be provided through the Community and Enterprise Section in 2013 and an amount of €5,000 will be provided as matching funding for anticipated funding of €12,000 from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government.

The Social Inclusion Unit ensures that social inclusion continues to be an integral part of the work of the Council across all of its departments. I have shown an income of €25,000 which is the amount that will be recouped from the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government in respect of salary costs during 2013.

D07 Unfinished Housing Estates

It is the responsibility of the County Council to ensure that housing estates are completed to a satisfactory standard before taking them in charge.

There are currently approximately 230 estates waiting to be taken in charge. The County Council recognises the size of the task and has allocated additional staff from within existing resources to this work, leading to an increase of €148,000 in the budget for this area.

A policy is currently being produced which will be presented to the Planning SPC in December that will allow for the taking in charge of certain infrastructure within unfinished estates. This will include infrastructure such as public lighting and pumping stations. Funding has been made available in the Water Services budget in anticipation that

the policy will be adopted during 2013, but Members should be mindful that the funding available is finite and cannot meet every need throughout the County.

Requests have been made to financial organisations regarding outstanding bonds, so that a number of estates can be finished. However, due to the current economic circumstances it has proved difficult to obtain these funds. As a result the County Council is currently involved in difficult negotiations so that funds can be released.

D08 Building Control

This function will transfer from the Housing Department to the Planning Department from 1st January 2013.

A provision of €136,600 (inclusive of service support costs) is included in the budget for delivering Building Control Services. The objective of the Building Control Section is to encourage good building practice, to ensure that all buildings are constructed correctly and that access for the disabled and elderly is provided for in building plans.

The Government intend to introduce New Building Control Regulations as a result of the Pyrite phenomenon and failures in the standard of building construction such as at Priory Hall. Self certification is likely to continue, but there will be a clear identifiable trail of responsibility in the event of building failure with a person specifically identified to oversee the works during construction.

D09 Economic Development and Promotion

The Council established a Business Support Unit in 2009. The purpose of this unit is to facilitate, encourage and develop business investment in County Roscommon by providing information about useful agencies and liaising between clients and relevant Council services.

In 2013 the transfer of the County Enterprise Board to the Local Authority is planned and the work of the County Enterprise Board and the Business Support Unit will be amalgamated under a Local Enterprise Office. It is anticipated that this transfer and amalgamation will be funded by the Department of Jobs, Enterprise & Innovation, under a service level agreement with Enterprise Ireland.

D10 Property Management

The Council has a considerable land bank to manage and the costs in relation to managing this area of work equate to €363,400 (including Service Support Costs). The rental income received from current agreements generate in the region of €290,000.

D11 Heritage and Conservation Services

The direct costs associated with the provision and operation of the Heritage Office in 2013 is estimated at €105,700. A proportion of the cost of the work undertaken during the year is recoupable from the Heritage Council and subject to approval these arrangements, procedures and conditions will continue in 2013. Two applications will be forwarded to the Heritage Council for consideration in relation to progressing specific actions in 2013 under the Heritage Plan 2012 – 2016. It is anticipated that another ten actions from the Heritage Plan will be implemented from Roscommon County Council resources and match funding. There is a significant work programme to be undertaken as outlined in the Heritage Plan.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division D - Development Management				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
D0101 Statutory Plans and Policy	481,400	481,400	454,500	454,500
D0199 Service Support Costs	189,700	189,700	177,972	178,000
D01 Forward Planning	671,100	671,100	632,472	632,500
D0201 Planning Control	871,000	871,000	1,063,500	1,063,500
D0299 Service Support Costs	835,000	835,000	790,870	790,900
D02 Development Management	1,706,000	1,706,000	1,854,370	1,854,400
D0301 Enforcement Costs	503,400	503,400	541,500	541,500
D0399 Service Support Costs	241,700	241,700	254,523	254,500
D03 Enforcement	745,100	745,100	796,023	796,000
D0401 Industrial Sites Operations	9,800	9,800	4,800	4,800
D0403 Management of & Contris to Other Commercial Facs	-	-	-	-
D0404 General Development Promotion Work	94,100	94,100	91,500	91,500
D0499 Service Support Costs	52,600	52,600	45,430	45,400
D04 Industrial and Commercial Facilities	156,500	156,500	141,730	141,700
D0501 Tourism Promotion	122,000	122,000	44,300	44,300
D0502 Tourist Facilities Operations	-	-	-	-
D0599 Service Support Costs	24,100	24,100	68,302	68,300
D05 Tourism Development and Promotion	146,100	146,100	112,602	112,600
D0601 General Community & Enterprise Expenses	161,000	161,000	161,600	161,600
D0602 RAPID Costs	7,600	7,600	9,200	9,200
D0603 Social Inclusion	253,300	253,300	173,000	173,000
D0699 Service Support Costs	144,300	144,300	134,766	134,800
D06 Community and Enterprise Function	566,200	566,200	478,566	478,600
D0701 Unfinished Housing Estates	170,000	170,000	58,200	58,200
D0799 Service Support Costs	67,000	67,000	30,822	30,800
D07 Unfinished Housing Estates	237,000	237,000	89,022	89,000
D0801 Building Control Inspection Costs	47,200	47,200	64,900	64,900
D0802 Building Control Enforcement Costs	36,000	36,000	16,200	16,200
D0899 Service Support Costs	53,400	53,400	36,868	36,900
D08 Building Control	136,600	136,600	117,968	118,000

Table F - Expenditure				
Division D - Development Management				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
D0901 Urban and Village Renewal	5,900	5,900	5,700	5,700
D0902 EU Projects	-	-	-	-
D0903 Town Twinning	1,000	1,000	5,000	5,000
D0904 European Office	-	-	-	-
D0905 Economic Development & Promotion	65,400	65,400	80,300	80,300
D0999 Service Support Costs	5,400	5,400	5,073	5,100
D09 Economic Development and Promotion	77,700	77,700	96,073	96,100
D1001 Property Management Costs	347,500	347,500	57,900	57,900
D1099 Service Support Costs	15,900	15,900	18,455	18,500
D10 Property Management	363,400	363,400	76,355	76,400
D1101 Heritage Services	105,700	105,700	105,200	105,200
D1102 Conservation Services	20,000	20,000	20,600	20,600
D1103 Conservation Grants	-	-	-	-
D1199 Service Support Costs	40,300	40,300	38,087	38,100
D11 Heritage and Conservation Services	166,000	166,000	163,887	163,900
D1201 Agency & Recoupable Service	116,000	116,000	265,000	265,000
D1299 Service Support Costs	100	100	32	-
D12 Agency & Recoupable Services	116,100	116,100	265,032	265,000
D Division Total	5,087,800	5,087,800	4,824,100	4,824,200

Table F - Income				
Division D - Development Management				
Income by Source	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	65,000	65,000	172,000	172,000
Arts,Sports & Tourism	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
Total Government Grants	77,000	77,000	184,000	184,000
Goods & Services				
Planning Fees	140,700	140,700	147,700	147,700
Agency Services & Repayable Works	116,000	116,000	265,000	265,000
Superannuation	106,100	106,100	113,720	113,700
Sale/leasing of other property/Industrial Sites	290,000	290,000	290,000	290,000
Local Authority Contributions	-	-	-	-
Other income	155,000	155,000	38,000	38,000
Total Goods & Services	807,800	807,800	854,420	854,400
Division 'D' Total	884,800	884,800	1,038,420	1,038,400

Division E Environmental Services



E Environmental Services

E01 Maintenance, Operation and Aftercare of Landfill

This budget provides for the cost of maintaining Ballaghaderreen & Roscommon Landfills under the terms of their EPA licences, following their closure. The budgeted figure includes the cost of environmental monitoring and other works at Ballaghaderreen & Roscommon Landfill as well as all other closed historic landfill sites in the County. However, ongoing maintenance of the gas fields and leachate collection systems is vital and will require capital investment in 2013. Roscommon Landfill also produces landfill gas and leachate that require treatment. Provision has also been made for the payment of loan charges and historic capital investments in the landfill. Grant assistance of €48,545 has been allocated by the department for the Pilot Project on Risk Assessment with regard to historic landfills. 15% of this figure must be matched from the Council's revenue budget.

E02 Maintenance and Operation of Recovery and Recycling Facilities

There are currently four Recycling Centres and 40 bring banks being operated in the county. The direct cost of operating these facilities in 2013 is estimated at €83,100. This represents a reduction in costs of €37,700 from the 2012 budget however this provision will be sufficient to reinstate Saturday opening in 2013. The operation and maintenance of all of the Civic Amenity Sites is undergoing continuous review in order to identify further efficiencies and to provide the best service to the customer.

There is an estimated income of €237,000 based on current income levels and on the current fee structure introduced in mid 2010 for use of Civic Amenity Sites. Included in this income is €10,000 in respect of 22 Textile Banks for which a contract was awarded, following a public tender process, to Eco Environmental Ltd. in 2012.

E04 Provision of Waste to Collection Services

A budget of €2,000 is available for the maintenance and operation of Hydrometric Stations.

E05 Litter Management

The Environment Section continues to engage with local community groups to assist in maintaining and improving the image of the towns and villages in the County. Provision has been included under litter activities to cover the cost of the litter wardens and to monitor areas of illegal dumping in the County.

It is proposed to continue in 2013 with the promotion of Environmental Awareness through the annual Tidy Estates, Tidy Burial Grounds and Tidy Schools competitions. A budget of €15,000 has been provided to assist community groups with the Spring Clean Campaign.

It is proposed that the Green Schools Programme will continue in 2013 with an extension to eligible schools of the Bio-Diversity programme. All of the nine Secondary Schools registered with An Taisce plus one Youth Reach project in the county are registered on the Green School Programme. 90% of National Schools in the county are registered. There are a total of 79 green flags awarded in the county – 4 Secondary Schools, 74 Primary Schools and 1 Creche.

E08 Waste Management Planning

Provision has been made for a contribution of €15,000 to the Environmental Partnership Fund.

There is also the need to meet staff costs in regard to Waste Management Planning as well as the Council's continued involvement in the Connaught Waste Management Plan and to make a contribution to the National Waste Permit Office in Tullamore. The existing plan was evaluated in 2012 and the plan will need to be replaced

consequent to this evaluation and also to ensure compliance with the new “*Waste Management Policy in Ireland*” which was launched in July of 2012. This policy proposes that the number of waste regions be reduced to three and it is anticipated that Connaught and Ulster may form one region

E09 Maintenance and upkeep of Burial Grounds

There are over 100 burial grounds in the County. A figure of €178,900 has been included in the budget to meet the direct costs associated with the upkeep of burial grounds in 2013. This is a reduction of €50,700 on the 2012 allocation. This in effect will mean that burial ground maintenance will in the main, be carried out by voluntary groups and persons employed under the Rural Social Scheme.

The Council is providing funds of €35,000 to voluntary groups for the Maintenance and Improvement Grant Scheme in 2013.

Due to the substantial reduction in the level of income from development contributions, funding for the development of extensions to burial grounds will only be provided in 2013 to meet existing commitments.

E10 Safety of Structures and Places

The €180,400 (excluding overheads) provided under this heading in the budget meets the costs of Civil Defence, the administration involved with Derelict Sites, Major Emergency Planning and Water Safety.

A figure of €146,600 is included for Civil Defence, which continues to provide cover at community events as well as respond to emergency calls if required.

The Civil Defence is made up of voluntary members under the leadership of the Civil Defence Officer and provides a valuable service to the county. This service was very evident during the severe weather in 2009, 2010 and 2011.

Roscommon County Council has a Derelict Sites policy in place that includes the proposal to enforce a derelict site levy on sites placed on the Derelict Sites Register. Roscommon County Council will continue to inspect properties within the County with particular emphasis on Towns and villages. An entry on the Derelict Sites Register may be removed where a notice under section 11 of the Derelict Sites Act has been complied with i.e. it specifies the measures necessary to prevent the site continuing to be derelict.

Roscommon County Council will continue to work with property owners but will enforce the Derelict Site legislation to render the property non-derelict.

E11 Operation of Fire Service

Roscommon County Council is statutorily designated as the Fire Authority for the County of Roscommon under Section 9 of the Fire Services Acts 1981-2003. The estimated budget for the Fire Authority for 2013 is €2,930,800.

The Council provides a range of Fire Safety, Enforcement and Emergency Management services as well as managing delivery of the Operational Emergency Response services. The Emergency Response services are delivered by 56 Retained Fire fighters across six Fire Brigade Units located in Ballaghaderreen, Boyle, Castlerea, Elphin, Roscommon and Strokestown.

The Fire Service process all applications for Fire Safety Certificates under the Building Control legislation, Planning referrals for commercial developments, inspecting and reporting on Circuit and District Court applications for Places of Public Entertainment, Registration of Fire Arms & Explosives Stores and Petroleum Regulations Licences.

The Council is required to implement a continuous programme of training, including mandatory refresher training in both core and specialist skills for all fire-fighting personnel. This training is in addition to the roll-out of nationally designed Standard Operating Guidelines (SOG's) which commenced during 2012.

Annual charges to neighbouring counties who provide both fire and rescue response services within the county and call-out systems through CAMP West in Castlebar, all represent a major part of the 2013 budget.

The Fire Service operates an intensive programme of preventative maintenance on all specialist equipment, plant and facilities. Subject to public procurement compliance it is planned to continue to support the many local businesses within the county who the Council already work with.

The draft national policy document "Keeping Communities Safe" requires each Fire Authority to undertake a review of its current services and prepare an updated/revised statutory Section 26 Fire and Emergency Operations Plan during 2013.

A detailed design and costing for the refurbishment of Elphin Fire Station has been submitted to the National Directorate for Fire and Emergency Management and approval to go to tender is anticipated during 2013.

E13 Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution

Roscommon County Council continues to discharge its functions under the Water Pollution Act 1977 (as amended) in relation to the issuing and monitoring of licences of discharge to sewers and to waters and the investigation of pollution incidences. A review of all discharge licences to waters commenced in 2012 and will continue in 2013 to comply with the European Communities Environmental Objectives (Surface Waters) Regulations 2009 and the European Communities Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) Regulations 2010. Air and noise pollution complaints are also investigated. A budget of €333,600 to meet direct expenditure has been allocated which represents an increase of €26,900 of from 2012. This extra amount will be required to commence the INAB Accreditation process for the Council's Water Pollution Laboratory.

The registration of domestic waste water treatment systems commenced in 2012 and 7286 systems were registered as at 26th November. All systems are required to be registered by 1st February 2013. A national inspection plan is currently being prepared by the Environmental Protection Agency and it is intended that a risk based inspection regime will be introduced during 2013.

E14 Agency & Recoupable Services

Under the Water Framework Directive Local Authorities are required to carry out a Water Monitoring Programme for the Shannon International River Basin District (SIRBD). As well as operational monitoring, investigative monitoring is also required and the staff of the Regional Laboratory, have been trained to provide this service for County Roscommon and for other Counties in the Upper Shannon Catchments. The SIRBD Laboratory provides the WFD service to Offaly, Galway, Roscommon, Longford, Leitrim and Westmeath County Councils and this will continue for 2013.

The Shannon and Western River Basin Management Plans were adopted in July 2010 and the Plans will run to 2015. They place obligations on the Local Authority to implement measures to protect good and high quality water bodies and to restore water bodies of less than good status to good status.

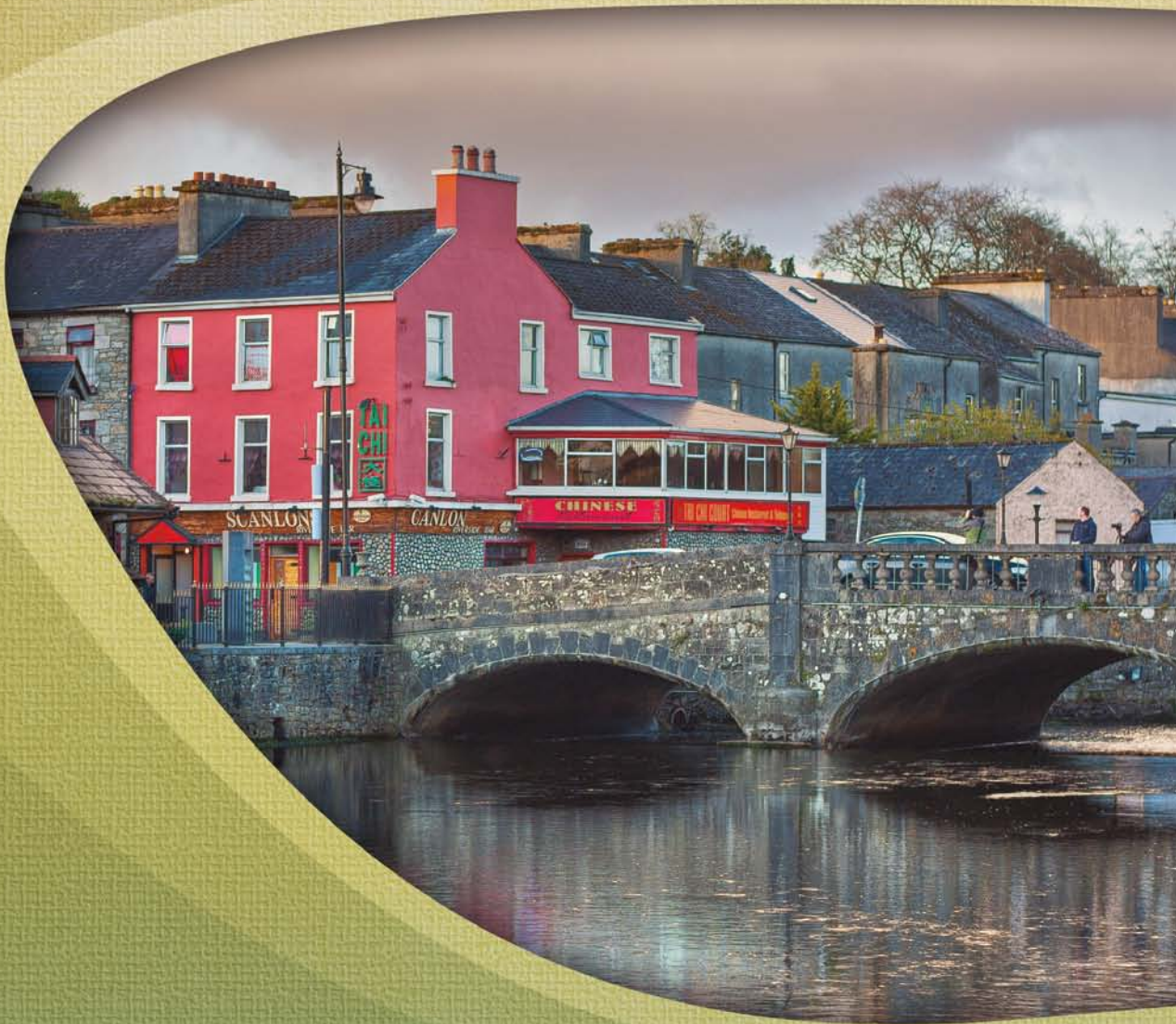
Table F - Expenditure				
Division E - Environmental Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E0101 Landfill Operations	1,571,800	1,571,800	1,614,600	1,614,600
E0102 Contribution to other LAs - Landfill Facilities	-	-	-	-
E0103 Landfill Aftercare Costs.	143,000	143,000	145,000	145,000
E0199 Service Support Costs	183,600	183,600	181,255	181,300
E01 Landfill Operation and Aftercare	1,898,400	1,898,400	1,940,855	1,940,900
E0201 Recycling Facilities Operations	478,100	478,100	515,800	515,800
E0202 Bring Centres Operations	-	-	-	-
E0204 Other Recycling Services	-	-	-	-
E0299 Service Support Costs	252,800	252,800	250,493	250,500
E02 Recovery & Recycling Facilities Operations	730,900	730,900	766,293	766,300
E0301 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	-	-	-	-
E0399 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
E03 Waste to Energy Facilities Operations	-	-	-	-
E0401 Recycling Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0402 Organic Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0403 Residual Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0404 Commercial Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0406 Contribution to Waste Collection Services	-	-	-	-
E0407 Other Costs Waste Collection	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
E0499 Service Support Costs	10,300	10,300	322	300
E04 Provision of Waste to Collection Services	12,300	12,300	2,322	2,300
E0501 Litter Warden Service	78,700	78,700	77,000	77,000
E0502 Litter Control Initiatives	60,800	60,800	65,800	65,800
E0503 Environmental Awareness Services	4,700	4,700	4,700	4,700
E0599 Service Support Costs	374,400	374,400	338,144	338,100
E05 Litter Management	518,600	518,600	485,644	485,600
E0601 Operation of Street Cleaning Service	-	-	-	-
E0602 Provision and Improvement of Litter Bins	-	-	-	-
E0699 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
E06 Street Cleaning	-	-	-	-

Table F - Expenditure				
Division E - Environmental Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E0701 Monitoring of Waste Regs (incl Private Landfills)	208,600	208,600	198,400	198,400
E0702 Enforcement of Waste Regulations	68,700	68,700	68,700	68,700
E0799 Service Support Costs	114,500	114,500	121,341	121,300
E07 Waste Regulations, Monitoring and Enforcement	391,800	391,800	388,441	388,400
E0801 Waste Management Plan	57,100	57,100	46,900	46,900
E0802 Contrib to Other Bodies Waste Management Planning	-	-	-	-
E0899 Service Support Costs	23,300	23,300	8,117	8,100
E08 Waste Management Planning	80,400	80,400	55,017	55,000
E0901 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	213,900	213,900	219,600	219,600
E0999 Service Support Costs	113,300	113,300	116,129	116,100
E09 Maintenance of Burial Grounds	327,200	327,200	335,729	335,700
E1001 Operation Costs Civil Defence	146,600	146,600	167,700	167,700
E1002 Dangerous Buildings	18,100	18,100	11,900	11,900
E1003 Emergency Planning	3,500	3,500	5,000	5,000
E1004 Derelict Sites	5,700	5,700	13,300	13,300
E1005 Water Safety Operation	6,500	6,500	13,000	13,000
E1099 Service Support Costs	38,600	38,600	50,175	50,200
E10 Safety of Structures and Places	219,000	219,000	261,075	261,100
E1101 Operation of Fire Brigade Service	2,590,500	2,590,500	2,596,400	2,596,400
E1103 Fire Services Training	140,000	140,000	100,000	100,000
E1104 Operation of Ambulance Service	-	-	-	-
E1199 Service Support Costs	200,300	200,300	189,902	189,900
E11 Operation of Fire Service	2,930,800	2,930,800	2,886,302	2,886,300
E1201 Fire Safety Control Cert Costs	-	-	-	-
E1202 Fire Prevention and Education	-	-	-	-
E1203 Inspection & Monitoring of Commercial Facilities	-	-	-	-
E1299 Service Support Costs	-	-	355	400
E12 Fire Prevention	-	-	355	400
E1301 Water Quality Management	333,600	333,600	306,700	306,700
E1302 Licensing and Monitoring of Air and Noise Quality	-	-	-	-
E1399 Service Support Costs	91,600	91,600	137,335	137,300
E13 Water Quality, Air and Noise Pollution	425,200	425,200	444,035	444,000

Table F - Expenditure				
Division E - Environmental Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
E1401 Agency & Recoupable Service	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
E1499 Service Support Costs	14,800	14,800	15,121	15,100
E14 Agency & Recoupable Services	64,800	64,800	65,121	65,100
E Division Total	7,599,400	7,599,400	7,631,189	7,631,100

Table F - Income				
Division E - Environmental Services				
Income by Source	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	211,000	211,000	211,000	211,000
Social & Family Affairs	-	-	-	-
Defence	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	73,000	73,000	90,000	90,000
Total Government Grants	284,000	284,000	301,000	301,000
Goods & Services				
Domestic Refuse Charges	299,000	299,000	312,000	312,000
Commercial Refuse Charges	-	-	-	-
Agency Services & Repayable Works	80,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
Superannuation	72,300	72,300	79,556	79,600
Landfill Charges	-	-	-	-
Fire Charges	150,000	150,000	60,000	60,000
Local Authority Contributions	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Other income	153,000	153,000	153,000	153,000
Total Goods & Services	774,300	774,300	704,556	704,600
Division 'E' Total	1,058,300	1,058,300	1,005,556	1,005,600

Division F Recreation and Amenity



F Recreation and Amenity

F01 Operation and Maintenance of Leisure Facilities

Castlerea Swimming Pool

A total budget of €65,000 has been allocated for Castlerea Swimming Pool in 2013. Of this amount €55,000 has been provided to cover the operational costs of the pool in 2013. This will enable the operation of the pool on a similar basis to 2012. The balance of €10,000 has been provided to address essential Health and Safety issues identified in 2012 and other necessary equipment to enhance the facility.

Roscommon Leisure Centre Ltd.

The Company, under the auspices of Roscommon County Council, is responsible for the management of Roscommon Leisure Centre. A total budget of €58,500 has been allocated for Roscommon Leisure Centre in 2013. As in 2012 an amount of €51,500 has been provided for subvention towards the operation of the leisure centre in 2013. The balance of €7,000 has been provided to cover some of the accumulated losses from previous years. There is the added negative impact of a vat liability associated with Local Authority Swimming Pools which is to be implemented from 1st of January (this will also apply to Castlerea).

The operational costs of Roscommon Leisure Centre will be closely monitored in 2013 in order to ensure that the facility can be operated as efficiently as possible, within the budget allocated.

Amenity Grants

An amount of €25,000 has been included for the payment of grants towards community and voluntary bodies, to support their efforts in improving and enhancing towns and villages.

F02 Operation of Library and Archival Services

The direct costs associated with the provision and operation of the Library Service for 2013 is estimated at €1,157,200.

The budget currently provides for the operation through the six branch libraries at Roscommon, Boyle, Ballaghaderreen, Castlerea, Strokestown and Elphin, and through the Mobile Library.

Providing for staff costs and support for frontline services to the public to sustain current opening hours is the priority and there will be no provision for the use of temporary relief staff, with consequent pressure being placed on the maintaining of opening hours of all library service points including the Mobile Library. The reduced budget for the Mobile Library will have an impact on the revised scheduling provisions for 2013.

While every effort will be made to minimise the impact to the public, through the continued redeployment of Headquarters' staff, the periodic closures of branches, interruption to Mobile services and reduced delivery of archive services will occur in 2013.

There is a further reduction in funding for the purchase of new stock and materials in 2013. The service will again have to rely on reserves of existing stock and the sharing of resources under arrangements such as the Borrow Book and ILL schemes.

The range and level of support for the annual events programme, Library activities and other cultural and educational activities will also be severely curtailed.

F03 Operation, Maintenance and Improvement of Outdoor Leisure Areas

An amount of € 598,200 (including Service Support Costs) has been included in the budget to meet the costs of the various outdoor amenities around the County. The amount for the maintenance of amenities is being reduced by €81,300 to €269,700 in 2013. This is a significant reduction and will mean that some amenity areas in the ownership of the Council will not be maintained in 2013. However every effort will be made to maintain, to a satisfactory state, those areas of greatest usage, with priority being given to amenity areas in towns and villages.

F04 Community Sport and Recreational Development

The Council facilitates the employment of a Sports Co-Ordinator by the VEC by providing payment of salaries through its payroll. Roscommon County Council will continue to contribute towards the cost of an FAI Development Officer for 2013.

Roscommon County Council is supportive of community initiatives that provide community sporting and leisure facilities. Support for community initiatives includes the provision of sites to community groups at reduced costs.

F05 Operation of Arts Programme

During 2013 The Roscommon County Council Arts Office will be implementing a reduced number of actions under the arts plan 'Sustaining the Arts 2009 – 2012'. The arts programme is part-funded by The Arts Council and because of the reduced budget allocation of €80,900 will not be in a position to provide the same level of matching funds to supplement Arts Council funding. Consequently, a reduced number of programmes will be undertaken in 2013. The post of Arts Officer is currently vacant and it is intended to continue to manage the programmes through the County Library, Cultural and Arts Department from within the existing staff complement.

Roscommon Arts Centre continues to thrive and develop as a flagship arts venue for the county. The Arts Council continues to support the work of The Roscommon Arts Centre and awarded a programming grant of €57,689 in 2012. The Arts Centre continues to play an integral role in Nomad – a successful partnership network of seven theatres and one theatre company located across the north and midlands of Ireland.

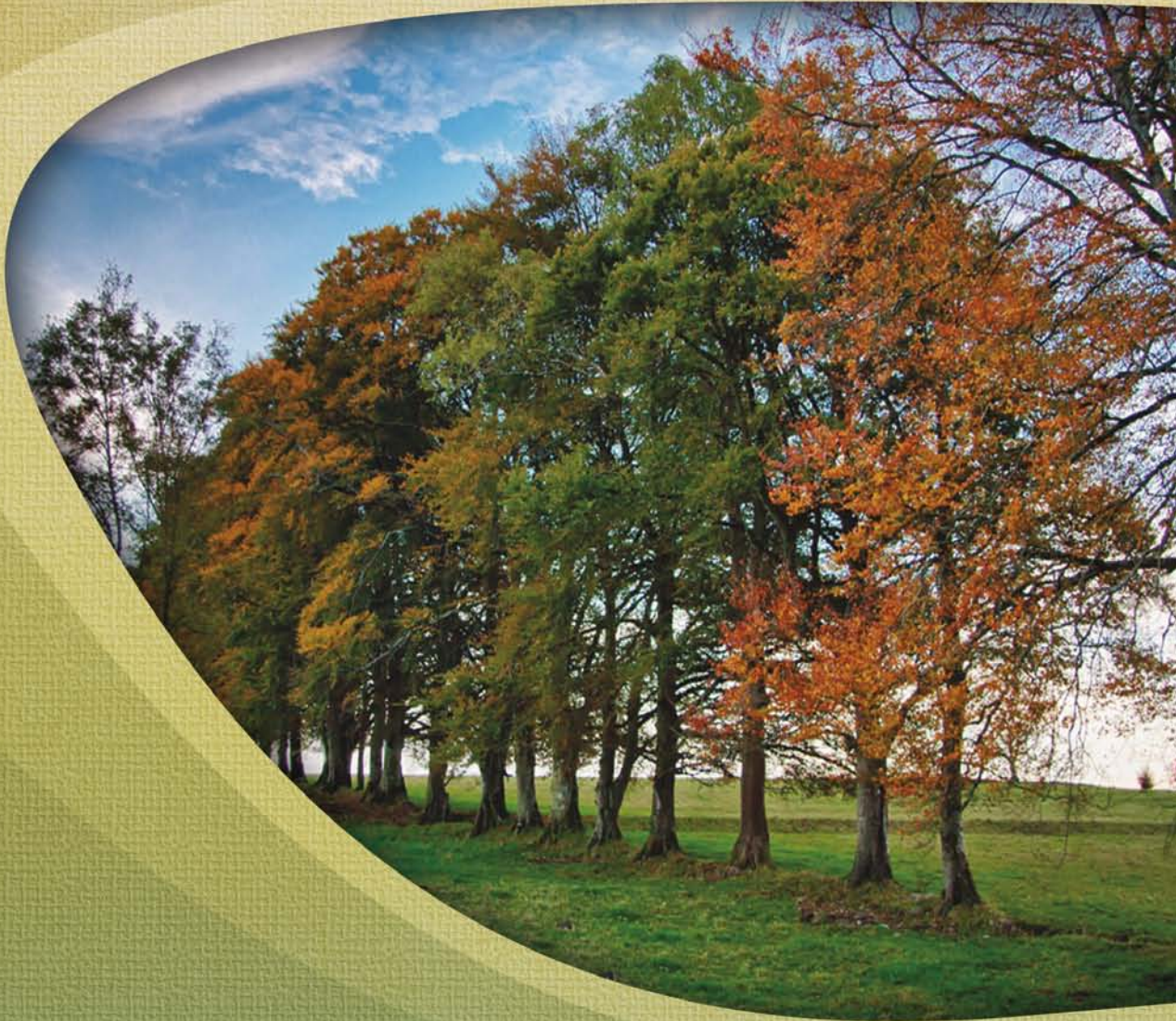
The King House caretaker together with casual staff will manage and maintain King House in 2013. King House will be maintained as a vibrant cultural and tourism centre for the town of Boyle. The successful 2012 programme of events will be further developed in 2013 and the budget for 2013 for operation and maintenance of King House is €99,700.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division F - Recreation and Amenity				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
F0101 Leisure Facilities Operations	135,400	135,400	121,100	121,100
F0103 Contribution to External Bodies Leisure Facilities	25,000	25,000	20,000	20,000
F0199 Service Support Costs	17,700	17,700	27,134	27,100
F01 Leisure Facilities Operations	178,100	178,100	168,234	168,200
F0201 Library Service Operations	1,118,500	1,118,500	1,142,300	1,142,300
F0202 Archive Service	-	-	-	-
F0204 Purchase of Books, CD's etc.	33,700	33,700	45,700	45,700
F0205 Contributions to Library Organisations	5,000	5,000	10,000	10,000
F0299 Service Support Costs	272,900	272,900	302,425	302,400
F02 Operation of Library and Archival Service	1,430,100	1,430,100	1,500,425	1,500,400
F0301 Parks, Pitches & Open Spaces	269,700	269,700	346,000	346,000
F0302 Playgrounds	5,000	5,000	-	-
F0303 Beaches	-	-	-	-
F0399 Service Support Costs	323,500	323,500	358,482	358,500
F03 Outdoor Leisure Areas Operations	598,200	598,200	704,482	704,500
F0401 Community Grants	-	-	-	-
F0402 Operation of Sports Hall/Stadium	-	-	-	-
F0403 Community Facilities	-	-	-	-
F0404 Recreational Development	103,000	103,000	103,000	103,000
F0499 Service Support Costs	24,500	24,500	11,661	11,700
F04 Community Sport and Recreational Development	127,500	127,500	114,661	114,700
F0501 Administration of the Arts Programme	489,500	489,500	509,100	509,100
F0502 Contributions to other Bodies Arts Programme	-	-	-	-
F0503 Museums Operations	-	-	-	-
F0504 Heritage/Interpretive Facilities Operations	99,700	99,700	64,600	64,600
F0505 Festivals & Concerts	-	-	-	-
F0599 Service Support Costs	162,100	162,100	156,332	156,300
F05 Operation of Arts Programme	751,300	751,300	730,032	730,000
F0601 Agency & Recoupable Service	-	-	-	-
F0699 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
F06 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	-	-
F Division Total	3,085,200	3,085,200	3,217,834	3,217,800

Table F - Income				
Division F - Recreation and Amenity				
Income by Source	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	-	-
Education and Science	-	-	-	-
Arts,Sports and Tourism	-	-	-	-
Social & Family Affairs	-	-	-	-
Library Council	32,500	32,500	32,500	32,500
Arts Council	110,000	110,000	110,000	110,000
Other Grants & Subsidies	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000
Total Government Grants	232,500	232,500	232,500	232,500
Goods & Services				
Recreation/Amenity/Culture	213,800	213,800	215,800	215,800
Library Fees/Fines	19,000	19,000	19,000	19,000
Agency Services & Repayable Works	-	-	-	-
Superannuation	61,700	61,700	69,188	69,200
Local Authority Contributions	-	-	-	-
Other income	30,000	30,000	5,000	5,000
Total Goods & Services	324,500	324,500	308,988	309,000
Division 'F' Total	557,000	557,000	541,488	541,500

Division G

Agriculture, Education, Health and Welfare



G Agriculture, Education, Health and Welfare

G01 Land Drainage Costs

The budget for land drainage is being reduced by €20,000 to €116,600. This reduction will result in a decrease in the amount of drainage work undertaken in 2013. The contribution to the River Suck Joint Drainage District Committee is being reduced by €5,000 to €110,000 in 2013. This reduction will also impact on the extent of drainage work that can be undertaken by the Committee during the summer months.

The Office of Public Works has provided funding over the last two years for a number of schemes under the Non-Costal Minor Flood Mitigation Scheme. Improvement and maintenance works were carried out on the various schemes and it is hoped that further funding may become available for further drainage works on a small number of schemes in 2013.

G04 Veterinary Service

The provision to meet the direct costs for the operation of food safety responsibilities is €186,400. The Council is operating a full meat inspection service at 10 licensed abattoirs and six small meat-manufacturing plants in the County. It is expected that in 2013 the full cost of this services will be met by inspection fees under licensing regulations and a grant from the Food Safety Authority of Ireland (FSAI).

Under the Control of Dogs Acts, the Council is responsible for the provision of a Dog Shelter. A service level agreement is in place with the ISPCA to operate the shelter and to operate the provisions of Control of Dogs legislation. An allocation of €132,000 is provided for such a service.

The Dog Breeding Establishment Act 2010 came into force in 2012. Establishments are required to apply to the Local Authority to be included in the Register of Dog Breeding Establishments.

G05 Educational Support Services

The major item of expenditure under this subprogram is in respect of higher educational grants which are estimated at €2,500,000. This is a reduction of €900,000 on 2012 as only existing Student Grants continue to be administered by Roscommon County Council. All new student grant applications have now to be made online to the single awarding authority, **Student Universal Support Ireland (SUSI)**.

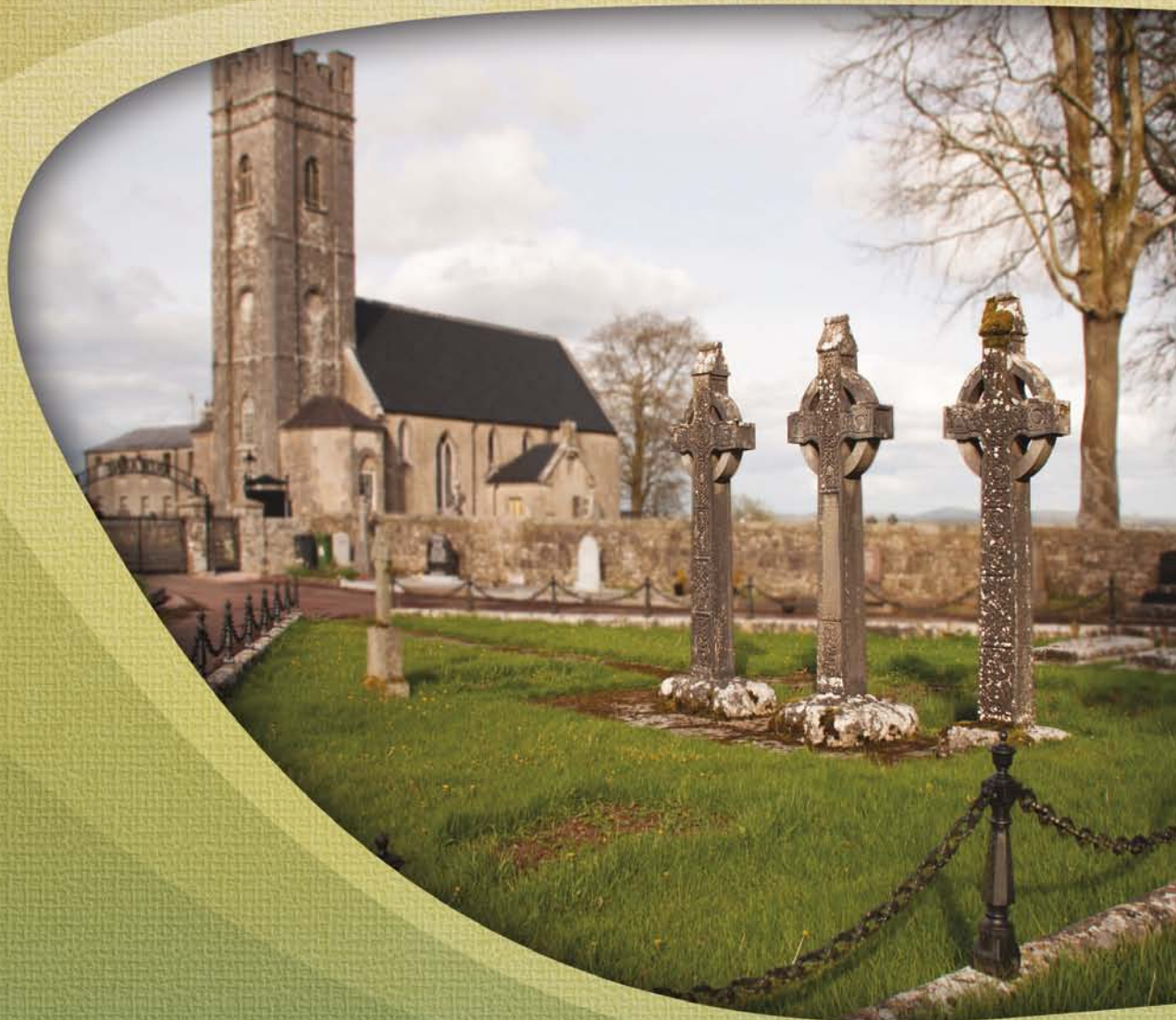
The full cost of Higher Education Grants is not a direct charge on the County Council and this provision will be recouped from the Department of Education & Science.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
G0101 Maintenance of Land Drainage Areas	126,600	136,600	136,600	136,600
G0102 Contributions to Joint Drainage Bodies	100,000	90,000	115,000	115,000
G0103 Payment of Agricultural Pensions	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
G0199 Service Support Costs	5,300	5,300	47,402	47,400
G01 Land Drainage Costs	243,900	243,900	311,002	311,000
G0201 Operation of Piers	-	-	-	-
G0203 Operation of Harbours	-	-	-	-
G0299 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
G02 Operation and Maintenance of Piers and Harbours	-	-	-	-
G0301 General Maintenance - Costal Regions	-	-	-	-
G0302 Planned Protection of Coastal Regions	-	-	-	-
G0399 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
G03 Coastal Protection	-	-	-	-
G0401 Provision of Veterinary Service	13,600	13,600	10,300	10,300
G0402 Inspection of Abattoirs etc	110,500	110,500	110,100	110,100
G0403 Food Safety	62,300	62,300	43,700	43,700
G0404 Operation of Dog Warden Service	132,000	132,000	114,500	114,500
G0405 Other Animal Welfare Services (incl Horse Control)	10,200	10,200	5,200	5,200
G0499 Service Support Costs	65,900	65,900	66,919	66,900
G04 Veterinary Service	394,500	394,500	350,719	350,700
G0501 Payment of Higher Education Grants	2,514,000	2,514,000	3,414,000	3,414,000
G0502 Administration Higher Education Grants	62,000	62,000	66,400	66,400
G0503 Payment of VEC Pensions	-	-	2,300,000	2,300,000
G0504 Administration VEC Pension	-	-	-	-
G0505 Contribution to VEC	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
G0506 Other Educational Services	500	500	500	500
G0507 School Meals	-	-	-	-
G0599 Service Support Costs	25,600	25,600	39,405	39,400
G05 Educational Support Services	2,617,100	2,617,100	5,835,305	5,835,300
G0601 Agency & Recoupable Service	-	-	-	-
G0699 Service Support Costs	-	-	-	-
G06 Agency & Recoupable Services	-	-	-	-
G Division Total	3,255,500	3,255,500	6,497,026	6,497,000

Table F - Income				
Division G - Agriculture, Education, Health & Welfare				
Income by Source	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	-	-
Education and Science	2,500,000	2,500,000	3,400,000	3,400,000
Arts, Sports & Tourism	-	-	-	-
Transport and Marine	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	190,000	190,000	190,000	190,000
Total Government Grants	2,690,000	2,690,000	3,590,000	3,590,000
Goods & Services				
Agency Services & Repayable Works	32,600	32,600	2,332,600	2,332,600
Superannuation	10,400	10,400	16,041	16,000
Contributions by other local authorities	-	-	-	-
Other income	-	-	-	-
Total Goods & Services	43,000	43,000	2,348,641	2,348,600
Division 'G' Total	2,733,000	2,733,000	5,938,641	5,938,600

Division H

Miscellaneous Services



H Miscellaneous Services

H01 Profit/Loss Machinery Account

The costs shown within the heading relate to the distribution of the Central Management Charge shown with in Appendix 1.

The costing system dictates that IT, Finance and Corporate costs are distributed using statistical data so that the full costs of providing each service are demonstrated.

H02 Profit/Loss Stores Account

The amount of €26,500 identified in the estimates relates to its proportion of the Central Management Charge.

H03 Administration of Rates

The County Council continues to have a relatively small rate base, which in turn impacts on the level of services that can be delivered to customers.

The costs of collecting rates, in the main relate to staffing, but there are also costs incurred in regard to legal fees, refunds and irrecoverable rates.

Under Procedures and Audit Regulations, 2002 (Part IV), the County Council will prepare a schedule of uncollected rates within 30 days of the end of the financial year, to the Elected Members, so they are fully aware of the level of arrears.

H04 Franchise Costs

Provision has been made under this heading towards the cost of preparing and publication of the Draft, Live, Edited and Supplemental (if required) Register of Electors in accordance with Electoral legislation.

H05 Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses

A provision of €110,400 has been made to meet the costs associated with the Coroners expenses.

H06 Weighbridges

The Council operates a number of small weighbridges throughout the county and a small provision is made towards this operation.

H07 Operation of Markets and Casual Trading

Under the Casual Trading Act 1995, a Local Authority may acquire any market right in respect of a market or fair in its functional area by agreement or compulsorily. Roscommon County Council has acquired the market rights in the towns of Ballaghaderreen, Boyle and Castlerea, with the relevant confirmation orders signed in October 2007. Transfer of full ownership is complete.

A provision of €5,000 is made in this budget for the making and implementation of bye-laws i.e. compensation, acquisition and extinguishment of existing Market Rights, Development of Trading Areas, Roads, Markings, licensing etc.

H08 Malicious Damage

In accordance with the Malicious Injuries Act 1981, a person shall be entitled to compensation from the Local Authority where damage is caused to his property through riotous behaviour. The full cost of Malicious Injuries Claims is not a direct cost to the County Council as sums incurred will be recouped from the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government.

H09 Local Representation / Civic Leadership

In accordance with Section 142 of Local Government Act 2001, provision is made for expenses incurred by its members in connection with attendance at meetings, conferences, seminars, training held within or outside the State. An allowance of €122,200 is made to cater for this expenditure. This allowance is made in accordance with The Local Government Act 2010 (S.142 Regulations).

H10 Motor Taxation

The delivery of the Motor Taxation service is funded as part of the total Local Government Fund Grant to the authority.

Driving Licences will transfer to the Road Safety Authority (RSA) from 19th January 2013. The last paper licence will be issued on 12th January 2013. Roscommon County Council will continue to issue the new plastic licence for nine months of 2013 under a Service Level Agreement, when the function will transfer in total to the RSA.

H11 Miscellaneous

The new Corporate Headquarters project is now at an advanced stage of development with the part 8 process approved in October. An Bord Pleanála is now considering a submission in relation to Environmental Impact Assessment and Appropriate Assessment made to it by the “County Roscommon Concerned Businesses and Households”. The council will proceed with the project in 2013 in accordance with the determination by An Bord Pleanála.

Insurances premiums for Employers and Public liability will reduce by 5% in 2013. In addition, motor and professional indemnity insurance will also decrease by 10%. Premiums for all other insurance policies underwritten by our insurers have remained the same as 2012.

Table F - Expenditure				
Division H - Miscellaneous Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
H0101 Maintenance of Machinery Service	-	-	-	-
H0102 Plant and Machinery Operations	-	-	-	-
H0199 Service Support Costs	153,000	153,000	187,081	187,100
H01 Profit & Loss Machinery Account	153,000	153,000	187,081	187,100
H0201 Purchase of Materials, Stores	-	-	-	-
H0202 Administrative Costs Stores	-	-	-	-
H0203 Upkeep of Buildings, stores	-	-	-	-
H0299 Service Support Costs	26,500	26,500	13,996	14,000
H02 Profit & Loss Stores Account	26,500	26,500	13,996	14,000
H0301 Administration of Rates Office	175,400	175,400	145,600	145,600
H0302 Debt Management Service Rates	110,600	110,600	95,400	95,400
H0303 Refunds and Irrecoverable Rates	1,798,700	1,798,700	1,425,000	1,775,000
H0399 Service Support Costs	101,700	101,700	142,613	142,600
H03 Adminstration of Rates	2,186,400	2,186,400	1,808,613	2,158,600
H0401 Register of Elector Costs	97,800	97,800	104,700	104,700
H0402 Local Election Costs	-	-	6,700	6,700
H0499 Service Support Costs	31,400	31,400	31,763	31,800
H04 Franchise Costs	129,200	129,200	143,163	143,200
H0501 Coroner Fees and Expenses	97,900	97,900	97,900	97,900
H0502 Operation of Morgue	-	-	-	-
H0599 Service Support Costs	12,500	12,500	15,356	15,400
H05 Operation of Morgue and Coroner Expenses	110,400	110,400	113,256	113,300
H0601 Weighbridge Operations	500	500	1,000	1,000
H0699 Service Support Costs	500	500	226	200
H06 Weighbridges	1,000	1,000	1,226	1,200
H0701 Operation of Markets	-	-	-	-
H0702 Casual Trading Areas	5,000	5,000	20,000	20,000
H0799 Service Support Costs	120,400	120,400	12,503	12,500
H07 Operation of Markets and Casual Trading	125,400	125,400	32,503	32,500

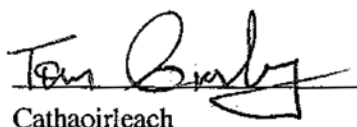
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Division H - Miscellaneous Services				
Expenditure by Service and Sub-Service	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
H0801 Malicious Damage	-	-	-	-
H0899 Service Support Costs	23,500	23,500	2,526	2,500
H08 Malicious Damage	23,500	23,500	2,526	2,500
H0901 Representational Payments	516,000	516,000	516,000	516,000
H0902 Chair/Vice Chair Allowances	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000
H0903 Annual Allowances LA Members	-	-	-	-
H0904 Expenses LA Members	335,600	335,600	335,600	335,600
H0905 Other Expenses	15,000	15,000	17,000	17,000
H0906 Conferences Abroad	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
H0907 Retirement Gratuities	-	-	-	-
H0908 Contribution to Members Associations	16,700	16,700	22,600	22,600
H0999 Service Support Costs	64,000	64,000	526,002	526,000
H09 Local Representation & Civic Leadership	995,300	995,300	1,465,202	1,465,200
H1001 Motor Taxation Operation	310,600	310,600	386,100	386,100
H1099 Service Support Costs	164,700	164,700	160,006	160,000
H10 Motor Taxation	475,300	475,300	546,106	546,100
H1101 Agency & Recoupable Service	24,600	24,600	21,700	21,700
H1102 NPPR	17,200	17,200	17,200	17,200
H1199 Service Support Costs	36,500	36,500	15,943	15,900
H11 Agency & Recoupable Services	78,300	78,300	54,843	54,800
H Division Total	4,304,300	4,304,300	4,368,515	4,718,500
Overall Total	60,771,800	60,771,800	65,005,500	65,355,400

Table F - Income				
Division H - Miscellaneous Services				
Income by Source	2013		2012	
	Adopted by Council €	Estimated by Manager €	Adopted by Council €	Estimated Outturn €
Government Grants				
Environment, Heritage & Local Government	-	-	-	-
Agriculture Fisheries and Food	-	-	-	-
Social & Family Affairs	-	-	-	-
Justice Equality and Law Reform	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Non Dept HFA and BMW	-	-	-	-
Other Grants & Subsidies	-	-	-	-
Total Government Grants	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Goods & Services				
Agency Services & Repayable Works	-	-	-	-
Superannuation	52,100	52,100	78,170	78,200
NPPR	900,000	900,000	850,000	850,000
Contributions by other local authorities	-	-	25,000	25,000
Other income	506,700	506,700	493,500	493,500
Total Goods & Services	1,458,800	1,458,800	1,446,670	1,446,700
Division 'H' Total	1,508,800	1,508,800	1,496,670	1,496,700
Overall Total	32,747,000	32,747,000	37,245,702	37,245,600

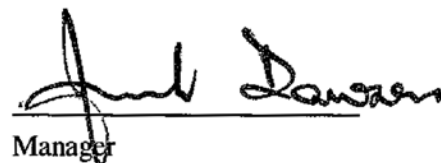
CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

I hereby certify that at the budget meeting of Roscommon County Council held this 19th day of December, 2012 the Council by Resolution adopted for the financial year ending on the 31st day of December 2013, the budget set out in Tables *(A-F) and by Resolution determined in accordance with the said budget the Rates set out in Tables *(B and C) to be the annual rate on valuation to be levied for that year for the purposes set out in those Tables.

Signed


Cathaoirleach

Counter signed


Manager

Dated this 19th day of December 2012

Appendix 1		
SUMMARY OF CENTRAL MANAGEMENT CHARGE FOR YEAR 2013		
	2013	2012
Description	€	€
Area Office Overhead	594,600	589,400
Corporate Affairs Overhead	621,100	638,200
Corporate Buildings Overhead	1,578,700	1,654,600
Finance Function Overhead	771,000	706,500
Human Resource Function Overhead	1,801,700	1,822,100
IT Services Overhead	1,168,800	1,133,500
Print & Post Room Service Overhead	210,300	191,100
Pension & Lump Sum Overhead	3,393,204	3,469,000
Total Expenditure Allocated to Services	10,139,404	10,204,400

Roscommon County Council Capital Programme 2013-2015



Introduction

The 3 year Capital Programme is being presented with the annual budget as prescribed in Section 135 of the Local Government Act, 2001. The Programme indicates projects proposed by the local authority for the current year and the following two years by the County Manager to the Members of the Council for their consideration.

In preparing the Programme it is important that the information available at the time reflects the current status of schemes / projects, the resources likely to be available during the period and the Councils ability to raise finance or obtain external funding if necessary.

The total estimated expenditure during the period of the Programme is in the region of €149,627,000 a decrease of €28,870,000 on the 2012-2014 Programme. The following is an analysis of the anticipated sources of funding;

The last column on the attached document shows the amount of the estimated expenditure which will be funded from Development Contributions.

		€
State Grants and Subsidies	Grants	114,281,750
Borrowings	Loans	21,200,000
Water Pricing Policy	WPP	9,402,750
County Council's own Resources:		
● Development Contributions		3,850,000
● Other		892,500
Total		149,627,000

Frank Dawson

County Manager

Martin Lydon

Head of Finance and Planning

1. Housing and Building			
	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
1.1 Local Authority Housing Local Authority Social & Affordable Housing <p>The Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government funds the Social Housing Investment Programme (SHIP).</p> <p>Roscommon County Council was notified of a capital housing allocation of €600,000 to cover expenditure under the 2012 Housing Programme. A further allocation of €450,000 was notified in August 2012 to facilitate acquisition of three properties in areas where the Council consider it represents value for money and where there is a demand for Social Housing.</p> <p>It is anticipated that an allocation of approximately €500,000 may be made in 2013 to cover the cost of an infill scheme of two houses at Abbey Court, Roscommon and some possible acquisitions. A similar or reduced level of allocation is expected for 2014 and 2015.</p>	1,500,000	State Grants	
Traveller Accommodation <p>The provision of Traveller Accommodation is funded by way of a Capital Allocation from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government. Work has commenced on the provision of three additional units of accommodation at Torpan Beg and is expected to be completed in early 2013. Phase 2 of the proposal for works at Torpan Beg to provide extensions to a number of housing units has been submitted to the DECLG for consideration. The proposed work programme under Traveller accommodation reflects proposals under the Traveller accommodation programme 2009 – 2013.</p>	1,500,000	State Grants	
Voluntary Housing Croghan Enterprise Company Limited - Voluntary Housing Group <p>A development of 10 housing units at Croghan, Boyle is being provided by Croghan Enterprises Ltd with an anticipated completion date in early 2013.</p> The Roscara Housing Association Limited <p>Construction of a seven unit scheme at Ardsallaghmore, Roscommon Town was completed in 2012. The site was provided by the Council.</p> <p>A further scheme at Lisroyne, Strokestown, commenced in 2012 providing an additional 6 no. units of accommodation for persons with specialised needs and 1 no. caretaker.</p> <p>Following a request from the DECLG for proposals for further projects to be delivered in 2012 Roscommon County Council received sanction to fund the acquisition and refurbishment of a house by Roscara Housing Association in Roscommon town to provide 3 units of accommodation for persons with special needs.</p>	1,500,000	State Grants	

1. Housing and Building (cont)

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
Land <p>It is the policy of the Council to acquire land to meet its requirements in the different locations throughout the county, where the opportunity arises and the land can be bought at a reasonable cost. A small provision has been made in the capital budget for 2013 to 2015 to cover the cost of any land that may be acquired for housing purposes.</p>	50,000	Own Resources	
1.2 Assistance to Persons Housing Themselves House Purchase and Improvement Loans <p>An amount has been included for the provision of house purchase and improvement loans. The Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government has issued Housing (Local Authority Loans) Regulations 2009.</p> <p>The maximum loan amount which may now be advanced for the acquisition or construction of a house has been increased to €220,000 with effect from the 27th April, 2009. The Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government notifies the Council of a capital allocation for house purchase or improvement loans each year.</p>	1,200,000	Loans	
1.3 Assistance to Persons Improving Houses Housing Grants <p>The combined allocation to Roscommon County Council for payment of Housing Adaptation grants for Older People and People with a Disability for private dwellings is €500,000 for 2013. 80% of the expenditure incurred is recouped through the Department of Environment, Community and Local Government. A similar provision is being made for 2014 and 2015.</p>	1,500,000	Grants from Dept 80% Revenue 20%	

2. Road Transportation and Safety

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
<p>2.2 National Roads Network</p> <p>The National Roads Authority has overall responsibility for planning, construction, maintenance and supervision of the national roads network. The Authority provides annual capital funding for a number of major and minor projects on the national roads (245 km) in Co Roscommon.</p> <p>The funding provides for design and construction of major schemes and pavement improvements, strengthening and safety measures at specific locations. The capital allocation for 2012 was €13,165,000 which was inclusive of an allocation for the Ballaghaderreen Bypass, surface overlay and road safety remedial measures.</p> <p>Construction of the Ballaghaderreen Bypass will require significant capital allocations in 2013, 2014 and 2015. However it is envisaged that the capital funding to be provided for overlay and low cost safety measures will decrease in the next three years due to NRA restricted budgets. Funding has been received for the planning stages of a number of high cost safety measures at various locations on the national road network throughout the county. It is unclear if these schemes will be funded in 2013.</p> <p>The specific details of work to be financed from capital grants will be included in the Annual Road Work Schemes.</p> <p>Major Schemes</p> <p>N4 – Dublin - Sligo</p> <p>The proposed Carrick-on-Shannon Bypass has been incorporated into the proposed Carrick-on-Shannon to Dromod Scheme. The planning documentation (draft EIS and CPO and Preliminary Design) are complete.</p> <p>N5 Dublin to Westport</p> <p>The N5 transgresses Roscommon for a distance of 60km and may be divided into three separate schemes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● N5 Tarmonbarry to Scramogue 13km This scheme was completed in 2004 and provides a standard single carriageway from Tarmonbarry to Scramogue. ● Ballaghaderreen By-Pass 13km This scheme extends from the Charlestown Bypass, near the Mayo County Boundary, to Tibohine. The scheme commenced construction in November 2012. Construction will complete in early 2015. ● N5 Ballaghaderreen – Scramogue 34km The route corridor has been selected and further work on the planning of the scheme has been suspended as no funding has been provided since 2009. 	74,300,000	NRA	

2. Road Transportation and Safety (cont)

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
<p>M6 – Dublin – Galway</p> <p>The M6 Athlone – Ballinasloe was officially opened in July 2009. The new road which is 20km in length forms part of the major inter urban route from Dublin to Galway.</p> <p>N61 – Athlone - Boyle</p> <p>● N61 Boyle Bypass</p> <p>The N61 Boyle Bypass preferred route corridor has been selected and has been incorporated into the Roscommon County Development Plan. No funding has been received for the scheme since 2009.</p> <p>● N61 Coolteige (Phase1) 3km</p> <p>This scheme extends from the Castle Street roundabout to Coolteige crossroads. The detailed design and tender documents and CPO documentation was prepared in 2012. It is envisaged that the CPO process will be complete in 2013 and proceed in 2015.</p> <p>● N61 Coolteige (Phase1) 3km</p> <p>This scheme involves the realignment of 1km approx and the elimination of existing bends at the above locations. Funding has been provided for the planning stage of the scheme in 2012. The design, tender and construction stages will proceed in 2013-2015.</p> <p>N60 Roscommon – Castlebar</p> <p>● N60 Oran Realignment</p> <p>This scheme involves the realignment of 3.4 kms approx and the elimination of existing bends at the above locations. Funding has been provided for the planning stage of the scheme in 2012. The planning, CPO process, design, tender and construction stages will proceed in 2013-2015 subject to funding for the scheme.</p> <p>Other Works</p> <p>Funding for the non-national roads restoration programmes and specific improvements grants is provided by the Department of Transport. These schemes are detailed in the Annual Road Work Schemes and their funding is reflected in the Revenue Budget.</p> <p>Funding for the provision of public lighting, car parking and traffic management is funded by Roscommon County Council from the Capital Programme. Due to the serious reduction in income from Development Contributions, all of these programmes have been suspended for the foreseeable future.</p> <p>The proposed work under the Capital Programme 2013-2015 excluding the amount being provided by the National Roads Authority as set out above, is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Road Infrastructure Improvements and Footpaths ➤ Smarter Travel Initiatives subject to grant funding 	3,100,000	990,000 Department of Transport	2,110,000

3. Water Supply and Sewerage

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
3.1 Public Water Supplies			
4 Regional Water Schemes	17,400,000	State Grants / WPP / County Council	
North East Regional WSS	11,032,000	State Grants / WPP / County Council	
West Roscommon RWS	4,295,000	State Grants / WPP / County Council	
Small Schemes	498,000	State Grants / County Council	123,000
3.2 Public Sewerage Schemes			
Towns & Villages	2,750,000	State Grants WPP / County Council	
Small Sewerage Schemes	498,000	State Grants WPP / County Council	123,000
3.3 Other Schemes			
Water Conservation	6,700,000	State Grants / County Council	

Note 1: WPP (Water Pricing Policy) requires the Local Authority to recoup through Water Service Charges from non-domestic customers the marginal capital costs of the provision of the non-domestic element of new schemes.

Note 2: Small Water and Sewerage Schemes receive 75% funding from State Grants and require 25% to be funded by the County Council.

4. Development Incentives and Controls

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
4.2 Industrial Development Industrial Sites Provision of €50,000 has been made to facilitate future development works on industrial sites.	50,000	RCC	
4.3 Other Development and Promotion Tourism Projects Provision of €50,000 per annum has been made for projects to be agreed under the County Tourism Strategy 2008 – 2012.	150,000	RCC	
Taking – in Charge of Housing Estates	300,000	RCC	

5. Environmental Protection

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
5.1 Waste Management Infrastructural Improvement to leachate management system at Ballaghaderreen landfill.	270,000	Other	
5.2 Burial Grounds The sum of €274,000 is being provided to complete existing commitments. It is not envisaged that further burial grounds will be provided in the next three years.	274,000	RCC	274,000
5.2 Fire Protection Refurbishment of Elphin Fire Station.	400,000	State Grants	

6. Recreation and Amenity

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
6.3 Recreation and Amenities Amenities <p>An amount of €60,000 remains from the Council's development contribution scheme to complete the tourism projects at Lake O'Flynn. It is anticipated that this project will finish in 2013.</p> <p>Capital funding of €50,000 has been provided for amenity upgrade</p>	110,000	RCC	110,000
Heritage and Conservation Projects <p>Provision is included for the development of the Harrington's Building at King House as creative studios. It is hoped to access LEADER funding for this proposal under the Heritage and Conservation measure.</p>	50,000	37,500 LEADER	12,500
<p>Roscommon County Council is committed to part fund a number of community projects under the LEADER programme. A provision of 200,000 has been provided to meet this commitment.</p>	200,000	RCC	200,000

8. Miscellaneous Services

	Estimated Expenditure €	Sources of Funding	Development Contributions €
8.8 Administration and Miscellaneous <p>The provision of new Corporate Headquarters is included in the 3 year programme. The development will consist of new office accommodation on the site adjacent to the courthouse with some off site parking to the rear of Main Street.</p>	20,000,000	Loan	

Appendix 2

Roscommon County Council Capital Programme 2013-2015

PROGRAMME GROUPS AND PROGRAMMES										INCOME										
										2013	2014	2015	Total	State Grants	WPP	Loans	Development Contributions	Other	Total	
										€	€	€	€	€	€		€	€	€	
1. HOUSING & BUILDING										1,520,000	1,520,000	1,510,000	4,550,000	4,500,000	-	-	-	-	50,000	4,550,000
1.1 Local Authority Housing										400,000	400,000	400,000	1,200,000	-	-	1,200,000	-	-	1,200,000	
1.2 Assistance to Persons Housing Themselves										500,000	500,000	500,000	1,500,000	1,200,000	-	-	-	300,000	1,500,000	
1.3 Assistance to Persons Improving Houses										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1.4 Administration & Miscellaneous										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL										2,420,000	2,420,000	2,410,000	7,250,000	5,700,000	-	1,200,000	-	350,000	7,250,000	
2. ROAD TRANSPORTATION & SAFETY										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2.1 Road Upkeep										34,900,000	29,300,000	13,200,000	77,400,000	75,290,000	-	-	2,110,000	-	77,400,000	
2.2 Road Improvement										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2.3 Road Traffic										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2.8 Administration & Miscellaneous										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL										34,900,000	29,300,000	13,200,000	77,400,000	75,290,000	-	-	2,110,000	-	77,400,000	
3. WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE										11,075,000	11,075,000	11,075,000	33,225,000	24,249,250	8,852,750	-	123,000	33,225,000		
3.1 Public Water Supplies										2,916,000	166,000	166,000	3,248,000	2,575,000	550,000	-	123,000	3,248,000		
3.2 Public Sewerage Schemes										2,500,000	2,500,000	1,700,000	6,700,000	6,030,000	-	-	670,000	6,700,000		
3.3 Private Installations										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3.8 Administration & Miscellaneous										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL										16,491,000	13,741,000	12,941,000	43,173,000	32,854,250	9,402,750	-	916,000	43,173,000		
4. DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES & CONTROL										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
4.1 Land Use Planning										20,000	20,000	10,000	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000	50,000	
4.2 Industrial Development										200,000	150,000	100,000	450,000	-	-	-	300,000	150,000	450,000	
4.3 Other Development & Promotion										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
4.5 Community & Enterprise Function										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
4.7 Heritage Programme										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
4.8 Administration & Miscellaneous										-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL										220,000	170,000	110,000	500,000	-	-	-	300,000	200,000	500,000	

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PROGRAMME GROUPS AND PROGRAMMES	INCOME									
	2013	2014	2015	Total	State Grants	WPP	Loans	Development Contributions	Other	Total
	€	€	€	€				€	€	€
5. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION										
5.1 Waste Management	150,000	120,000	-	270,000	-	-	270,000	-	-	270,000
5.2 Burial Grounds	139,000	135,000	-	274,000	8,000	-	-	266,000	-	274,000
5.3 Safety of Structures & Places	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.4 Fire Protection	50,000	350,000	-	400,000	400,000	-	-	-	-	400,000
5.5 Pollution Control	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.8 Administration & Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	339,000	605,000	-	944,000	408,000	-	270,000	266,000	-	944,000
6. RECREATION & AMENITY										
6.1 Swimming Pools	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6.2 Libraries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6.3 Parks, Open Spaces, Recreation Centres	360,000	-	-	360,000	37,500	-	-	250,000	72,500	360,000
6.4 Other Recreation & Amenity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6.8 Administration & Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	360,000	-	-	360,000	37,500	-	-	250,000	72,500	360,000
7. AGRICULTURE, EDUCATION, HEALTH & WELFARE										
7.1 Agriculture	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7.2 Education	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7.8 Administration & Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES										
8.2 Financial Management	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8.3 Financial Management	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8.4 Elections	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8.5 Administration of Justice & Consumer Protection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8.8 Administration & Miscellaneous	8,000,000	11,500,000	500,000	20,000,000	-	-	20,000,000	-	-	20,000,000
8.9 Members Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	8,000,000	11,500,000	500,000	20,000,000	-	-	20,000,000	-	-	20,000,000
ALL PROGRAMME GROUPS TOTAL	62,730,000	57,736,000	29,161,000	149,627,000	114,289,750	9,402,750	21,470,000	3,842,000	622,500	149,627,000



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